

Be Safe...Be Prepared

Create Your Disaster Plan

- Prepare a "Personal Evacuation Plan".
- Select safe and reliable transportation of your own or arrange to share a ride with friend or neighbor.
- Do not drive on flooded streets.
- Arrange to stay with family or friends in an area not at risk.
- Since pets are not allowed in shelters, make arrangements for them in advance.
- Decide on a place for family members to meet if you are separated by disaster and cannot return home.
- Establish an out-of-state point of contact for separated family members. Sometimes it's easier to place an out-of-state call than to call locally during a disaster.
- Post emergency numbers by telephones.
- Make sure one or more of your vehicles is ready for an out-of-town trip.

Prepare Your Home

- Trim trees and shrubbery.
- If your home does not have storm shutters, pre-cut plywood shutters for every window in your home using 5/8" plywood.
- Show each family member how to turn off water, gas, electricity, and discuss when it is appropriate to do so.
- Eliminate fire hazards and secure objects that could cause injury in your home during a disaster.
- If in a mobile home, check tie-downs.

Prepare Disaster Supply Kit

- Water:** Water: a three-day supply of water (one gallon per person per day), preferably in plastic containers.
- Food:** Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration, cooking or preparation.
- First Aid Kit:** Prepare a first aid kit that includes your family's prescription medications.
- Tools and Supplies:** Battery powered radio, battery powered flashlight, extra batteries, extra set of car keys, credit card, cash or traveler's checks, film for camera, and sanitation supplies.
- Special Items:** Include provisions for pets and any special items needed for the care of infants, elderly, or disabled family members.
- Pull out a map and review your evacuation route.

SPECIAL NEEDS GUIDELINES

Senior Citizens with special health needs should contact Harahan City Hall at 737-6383.

Medically needed individuals who do not have assistance from able-bodied relatives/friends and are too ill to leave the

area will be categorized and housed, along with one caregiver only, in a designated J.P. hospital refuge.

-Only J.P. Emergency Management can assign individuals for hospital refuge.

-If you are presently serviced by a home healthcare agency, you are to go through your healthcare agency and not the City of Harahan or Jefferson Parish.

When Jefferson Parish calls for an evacuation, a telephone number will be released to the public via radio and television. At that time those needing assistance, who are not serviced by a home healthcare agency, are to call the publicized number to determine their eligibility.

MAP OF LOCAL FLOOD HAZARD

