



New for the 2018 Hurricane Season



The study which was conducted after Hurricane Irma recommended changes to how some operations are described, enhancements to existing systems and addition of new programs. The following information will help clarify these changes.

Evacuation Centers - Formerly known as shelters.

All will open at the same time.

Evacuation Center list:

1. Hurricane Evacuation Centers Address
2. Booker Middle School 2250 Myrtle St., Sarasota
3. Brookside Middle School 3636 S. Shade Ave., Sarasota
4. Southside Elementary School 1901 Webber St., Sarasota
5. Riverview High School 1 Ram Way, Sarasota
6. Booker High School 3201 N. Orange Ave., Sarasota
7. Phillippi Shores Elementary 4747 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota
8. Gulf Gate Elementary School 6500 S. Lockwood Ridge Road, Sarasota
9. **North Port High School 6400 W. Price Blvd., North Port**
10. **Heron Creek Middle School 6501 W. Price Blvd., North Port**
11. **Woodland Middle School 2700 Panacea Blvd., North Port**
12. **Atwater Elementary School 4701 Huntsville Ave., North Port**

All are pet-friendly. Same rules still apply for pets.

Four ways to get to an evacuation center:

1. Drive locally to a rally point.
2. SCAT bus on Sunday bus route schedule.
3. Drive to an evacuation center.
4. If you cannot drive and do not have any other way of getting to a rally point, you can register online, and the county will pick you up and take you to a rally point.

Evacuation Level - Formerly known as Evacuation "Zones." <https://ags2.scgov.net/KnowYourZone/>

Medically Dependent Persons - Formerly known as People with Special Needs (PSN)

- Residents can apply online or call 941-861-5000.
- <https://www.scgov.net/government/emergency-services/emergency-management/medical-needs-program-copy>
- It is important to register early. Paper applications for medically registration will be stopped at 120 hours prior to potential impact from a storm, and all online applications will stop at 60 hours prior to impact from a storm or hurricane.

Transportation Plan / Rally Points - If you cannot drive to an evacuation center, Sarasota County will provide bus transportation (along with a limited amount of supplies) to and from a general population

evacuation center. This program is activated only when Sarasota County has a declared county emergency, an activation is ordered, and evacuation centers are opened. Transportation will be offered at designated rally points throughout the county. For more information please click on the following link:

- <https://www.scgov.net/government/emergency-services/emergency-management/transportation-plan-hurricane-evacuation-centers>

In North Port:

1. George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way
2. North Port Library, 13800 Tamiami Trail
3. Suncoast Technical College, 4445 Career Ln (N. Cranberry Blvd and N. Toledo Blade Blvd.)

Keep in mind...

- Transport will be provided by Sarasota County Area Transit and school district buses.
- Space on buses will be limited.
- Baggage is limited to two carry-on sized bags per person that can be stored under a seat or held in lap.
- Pets must be in a crate or carrier, and you must bring all pet supplies.
- Passengers cannot specify what shelter they will be transported to.
- **All transportation will cease when landfall is expected within eight hours.**

Re-entry after the departure of Tropical Storm-strength winds – After it is safe for emergency personnel to conduct an initial damage assessment, a new color-coded system is being implemented for the public’s understanding of the level of danger should they venture out into the community.

- **Color Level of Danger Citizen Action**

Color	Level of Danger	Citizen Action
Red	Unsafe. Emergency services may not be available. Extensive damage limiting travel.	Access limited to residents and business owners. Proper ID required. Enter at your own risk.
Yellow	Limiting factors to include lack of power, trees and power lines down in areas. Traffic lights may be out. Potential damage to utilities such as water systems and wastewater.	Safety precautions required. General travel limited to essential needs.
Green	No limiting factors.	All clear. Safe for general public.

Other disaster preparedness information is available on-line at:

<http://www.cityofnorthport.com/government/city-services/fire-rescue/emergency-management>