

University Place Hurricane Preparedness – 2022

Dear Homeowners,

The Hurricane season is upon us. For many years and through many hurricane seasons we have been very lucky, but we need to be prepared never-the-less. Your University Place Hurricane Committee would like to share the following information.

Every household in University Place should be prepared with an Emergency Plan including:

- Papers: Important papers – homeowners insurance policy, legal papers, photos of valuable household contents (pictures, antiques)
- Medicines: two-week supply, list of medications including pharmacy phone number, dosage, doctor
- Cash: enough to purchase needed supplies
- Car: fueled full
- Food: Enough non-perishable food to feed the whole family for two – seven days
- Water: 1 gallon of water per person /day for seven days plus additional water for washing, cooking, and cleaning, fill tub with water for non-potable needs (flushing toilet, etc.)
- Batteries: extra batteries for working flashlights, portable TVs etc.
- First aid book and supplies
- Non-electric can opener

We also suggest that you “Stay County Informed”. Consider signing up for Manatee County’s emergency text updates which are sent directly to your cell phone. Sign up by sending a text message: ManateeReady to 888-777.

The following links provide very valuable information:

See www.mymanatee.org/EmergencyManagement

See www.mymanatee.org/ManateeCountyDisasterPlanningGuide

See www.tampabayprepares.org for the full **Disaster Planning Guide**. This document includes evacuation sites, extensive planning information and materials as well as maps and guidance.

See Sunstate website for additional information.

<https://sunstatemanagement.com/disaster-preparedness-resources/>

If there is a **Special Needs** person in your household, please pre-register this person with Manatee County.

https://www.mymanatee.org/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/special_needs_registry

How to Prepare Your Home

- Remove anything that could fly (projectiles) such as security signs, flags
- Secure or move lawn and patio furniture, umbrellas, towel racks into garage or house
- Move flowerpots and garden decorations into garage
- Remove and store garden hoses in garage
- Check to make sure garbage cans and recycling cans are in garage
- Install hurricane shutters and fabric protectors – Hurricane shutters or window coverings – put them up as notice from Manatee County and HOA instruct.
 - a. **Snowbirds**: should have secured their homes before leaving for the summer. Please make arrangements to put up your shutters or coverings before you leave or have a company prepared to do for you in case of emergency. There are several companies in the area that can help.
- Move cars into garage if possible

How will you know to prepare?

You will receive information from Manatee County. Sunstate Management, at the direction of the Board and the CDD, will send out information and instructions.

The Hurricane Committee

The Hurricane Committee will take care of the following:

- Securing all the furniture and umbrellas at both pools
- Managing the fountains in the ponds
- Managing any landscaping needs – including placing large blue pots at front gate and pools on their side. Duval will replace plants as needed post hurricane.

Post hurricane, the Hurricane Committee will ride through our community looking for damage and issues. We will inform Sunstate of any observations so Sunstate can contact the homeowner, the County, and/or the CDD.

Please be sure to read up and prepare before a storm is upon us. Save the information contained in this email for future reference and watch for further updates and FIRST ALERT emails should the current storm conditions warrant further communication.

Hurricane Committee

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