



September 25, 2022

Re:Hurricane Ian 2022

Dear Residents,

The entire state of Florida was put under a state of emergency on Saturday as Tropical Storm Ian gradually strengthened and gained speed. As you review any of the storm tracker maps, it appears this Thursday, Parrish may be in the path of this storm. As a result, the RW board has been in contact with our Guard company, Weiser Security Services, and our Landscaping Team, headed by Paul Jones, to ensure all plans are in place to respond before and after a potential event. The board has reviewed our emergency procedures, and this week we will be preparing the community property within these procedures.

In addition, it is time for you to make your personal preparation plans. Planning for an emergency will help you and your loved ones stay safe and connected if a disaster occurs. Also, consider contacting your neighbors surrounding your property to see if they need any assistance with preparations. But always ensure your safety FIRST!

In addition to making a disaster plan, there are other ways you can prepare for an emergency:

- Sign up for Alert Manatee emergency notifications:
https://manatee.hosted.civiclive.com/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/alert
- Build an emergency kit:
https://manatee.hosted.civiclive.com/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/build
- Know your evacuation level:
https://manatee.hosted.civiclive.com/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/evac
- Find nearby emergency shelters:
https://manatee.hosted.civiclive.com/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/shelters

https://manatee.hosted.civicle.com/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/emergency

- Sign up for the Special Needs Registry if you'll need assistance in an evacuation:

https://manatee.hosted.civicle.com/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/special_needs_registry

MAKE A PLAN FROM READY.GOV

- Make a Plan: <https://www.ready.gov/plan>
- Seniors: <https://www.ready.gov/seniors>
- Individuals with Disabilities: <https://www.ready.gov/disability>
- Pets and Animals: <https://www.ready.gov/pets>
- Financial Preparedness: <https://www.ready.gov/financial-preparedness>

Sandbag distribution - The County operates several sandbag filling locations ahead of significant storm events. These locations are open Sunday and Monday this week. **Residents (ID required) are allowed to fill ten bags per household.** Here is a link to the locations, dates, times for sandbags in Manatee County:

https://manatee.hosted.civicle.com/departments/public_safety/emergency_management/sandbags

. It is recommended you keep the sandbags in storage through the end of hurricane season. Sandbags can be placed at the curb alongside your trash bin for regular garbage collection.

Here are just a few tips that bear emphasizing. The links above will detail most of the suggested areas for planning:

- Place all your important papers in a plastic bag that is

easily
accessible
if
you
need
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“grab

and
go”.

- Consider taking a video of your belongings, furniture, etc. within your home and uploading it to your “cloud” storage.
- Have you tested your flashlights, backup battery chargers or handheld radios? Now is the time.
- If you are leaving your home, turn off the main water supply, unplug any devices you are leaving behind, e.g., televisions, electronics,

- small appliances, etc.
- Freeze extra ice now, fill your tub or buckets with water so you can flush your toilet.

Note: In the event the winds get to a consistent 35 MPH we will be maintaining our gates in an open position, as per Manatee County Summary of Standards for automatic gate systems and in accordance with Chapter 252 Florida Statute Emergency Management. Please DO NOT post on social media that our gates are open as that could be an invitation for problems.

Once the winds reach a certain level, Law Enforcement and Emergency Services will not be able to respond. 911 will be very busy with calls even if the deputies cannot respond. When possible, use the non-emergency number: 941-747-3011 ext. 2260. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact our Community Manager, Steven Higbee on Monday, or reply to this email.

Hoping that Princess Sara de Soto and Chichi-Okobee continue to protect the Sarasota Bay and all preparation was for naught. Stay Safe!

Yours truly,
The RW HOA Board

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