

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER



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PRESS RELEASE

With the height of the hurricane season upon us and with two major storms already impacting the United States, we felt it was a good time to remind our local residents and visitors about being prepared for these types of events. Being prepared and having a personal plan for your family and pets is essential to minimizing injury and the loss of life. So in preparing yourself, your family and your pets to respond to such disaster we want to offer the following basic information:

1. Closely monitor the status of the hurricane and how it may affect your area. This can be done through access to; local television and radio stations, signing up for NIXLE for up to date emergency information and through our local Lower Township website.
2. Discuss and practice your plan with your family.
3. Have a personal evacuation location. Create a predetermined location in which you can go to with your family and or pet, such as a relative or friends home or even a hotel, outside the evacuation area. Government run shelters should not be your first choice as they often become over crowded.
4. We also recommend that you have an emergency supply kit of essentials ready to go and will last at least three days, such as; medications, infant and or child needs, water, food, radio, flashlight, batteries, first aid kit, whistle, filter mask, moist wipes, basic tools, can opener, duct tape, plastic sheathing, spare phone charger, etc.
5. Prepare a written list of phone numbers and addresses in case you lose power to your phone or other electronic devices.
6. Have a crate for your pet and take enough food and medication for the pet to last at least a week.
7. Heed the warnings and orders of the government officials who are working closely together for the best response to the disaster.

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