



How prepared are you for this Hurricane Season?



A hurricane is a severe storm that can span over 483km and carries with it major hazards such as storm surges, high winds and flood rains.



Disasters are hazards which have the potential to disrupt communities, cause damage and create casualties. Therefore, it is very important for us to familiarize ourselves with the risk related with this period and take the necessary preventative measures to save lives and property.

Hurricane Safety Tips

Before a Hurricane

- Evacuate if necessary
- Trim trees that touch power lines or hang over buildings
- Install hurricane shutters, hooks and latches
- Keep on hand nails, hammers, wire, rope, pliers and oil lamps
- Store extra food, especially canned foods and those that can be eaten without cooking for 3-7days



- Keep a well equipped first aid kit



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- Flashlights and batteries
- Important documents in a waterproof container-insurance, medical records, bank account numbers, birth certificates etc
- Battery operated radio

- Cash

During a Hurricane

- Stay indoors. DO NOT GO OUTSIDE UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY
- If you are not at home stay put where you are until the hurricane has passed
- Listen to the radio for information and weather updates
- If the house shows signs of breaking up, stay under a table or stand in a door frame
- Be calm, as this will help you to act logically

After a Hurricane

- DO NOT TOUCH DANGLING WIRES
- Boil All drinking water
- DO NOT GO OUTSIDE BAREFOOTED OR IN OPEN TOED SHOES
- Watch out for fallen trees
- Be alert to prevent fires
- Offer help to those who might need it



What is a Shelter?

A shelter is a facility set up to provide temporary housing for persons unable to continue their living arrangements in separate family units.

Reasons to stay at a Shelter during a Hurricane

- If you live in low lying or flood prone areas
- If you live in close proximity to a stream or gully that is likely to overflow its banks or other flat areas that may be swept away by dangerous storm surges
- If your home cannot offer adequate protection against the hurricane or flood water
- If you live near or along the coastline



Make sure you know where your shelters are for your area. Take the following items: blankets, medication, extra clothing, water, first aid kit, portable radio and batteries and non – perishable foods.

Shelter Locations in Portmore

Priority Shelters

KP² (SANG)

K- Kensington Primary

P²- Portmore Heart Academy and Portsmouth Primary,

S- Southborough Primary,

A-Ascot high,

N-Naggo Head Primary and

G-Gregory Park Primary

All other Shelters

1. Independence City Primary
2. Waterford High
3. Bridgeport High
4. Braeton Primary
5. Waterford Primary
6. Bridgeport Primary

7. Ascot High
8. Belmont Park Primary
9. Cumberland High
10. All Seventh Day Adventist Churches-upon request
11. Christian Pen Gospel Assembly

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