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Navigating the Road to Recovery

Hurricane season is here: Prepare your home and family today

Hurricane season arrived last week, even as thousands of Texans continue to rebuild and recover from last year's devastating Hurricane Harvey. This season's weather is dangerous and unpredictable, but there are steps you can take to keep your family safe in case of a hurricane and ease your transition to recovery:

- **Prepare an emergency kit:** Include water, food and medications for at least three days as well as some cash, a first aid kit, a flashlight, batteries and any important documents you can't lose or will need if you evacuate. Consider purchasing a portable generator and external batteries or portable chargers for your cell phone. Don't forget about your pets' needs.
- **Know where to go:** Do you know your local hurricane evacuation route? After you evacuate, do you have a planned destination? If you don't have time to evacuate, do you know where to find a safe room or storm shelter?
- **Get insured:** Flood insurance, wind insurance and homeowners insurance cover different things. Make sure you understand your policies, or you could end up with a huge bill. Learn more at <https://go.usa.gov/xQ7px>.
- **Download the FEMA app:** It provides alerts from the National Weather Service, safety reminders, tips to survive natural disasters, an emergency checklist and up-to-date information about shelters and where to speak with FEMA in person or on the phone. Get the app at www.fema.gov/mobile-app.
- **Sign up/watch for alerts:** Many communities have text or email emergency-notification systems, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association's Weather Radio (www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr) and www.hurricanes.gov provide updates. You also can pick up an emergency radio, which receives alerts and can be charged by solar power or hand crank.
- **Practice:** The best way to make sure your family knows what to do when disaster strikes is to practice responding to an emergency.
- **Prepare yourself financially:** Check out FEMA's new Emergency Financial First Aid Kit at <https://go.usa.gov/xQ7pC> to see how you can strengthen your financial preparedness for disasters and emergencies.
- **Visit www.ready.gov** to learn more about improving your family's disaster preparedness.

By the Numbers (COB June 5, 2018)

- Total number of Individual Assistance registrations: **895,512**
- Federal disaster assistance in survivors' pockets: **\$13.73 billion**
 - FEMA Individuals & Households Program: **\$1.62 billion**
 - U.S. Small Business Administration loans approved: **\$3.36 billion**
 - NFIP advance payments and claims paid (estimate): **\$8.75 billion**

- FEMA Inspections Completed: **609,671**
- Total Transitional Sheltering Assistance households currently checked in: **1,029**
- Requests for Public Assistance: **1,277**
- Projects Obligated: **326**
- Federal Share Obligated: **\$695,763,542**

Direct Housing

The housing mission is federally funded, state-administered and locally managed. The State of Texas and local officials are leading the way in finding new solutions to help Texans impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

As of June 3:

- **3,206** applicants housed through the Direct Housing program
- **Direct Housing Maintenance Hotline:** Survivors living in mobile homes and travel trailers provided by the GLO/FEMA Direct Housing program may call **877-503-6053** for assistance

Hazard Mitigation Outreach June 5-9

FEMA mitigation specialists are visiting home improvement stores to offer information and tips on repairing and rebuilding stronger and safer. For more information, visit <http://fema.gov/texas-disaster-mitigation>

County	Locations	Dates	Hours
Harris	Lowe's (Store #563) 20201 N. Interstate 45, Spring, 77388	Tues. June 5-Sat. June 9	8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Harris	Home Depot (Store #6501) 11820 Dickinson Rd., Houston, 77089	Tues. June 5-Sat. June 9	8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Montgomery	Home Depot (Store #508) 1341 W. Davis St., Conroe, 77304	Tues. June 5-Sat. June 9	8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
San Patricio	Parker Building Supply 514 W. Sinton St., Sinton, 78387	Tues. June 5-Fri. June 8 Sat. June 9	7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Victoria	Lowe's (Store #282) 8602 N. Navarro St., Victoria, 77904	Tues. June 5-Sat. June 9	8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Disaster Recovery Centers

Disaster Recovery Centers are one-stop shops for Hurricane Harvey survivors seeking one-on-one help. Representatives from FEMA, the SBA and various federal and state agencies are available to answer questions. All DRCs are closed on Sundays.

DRC # 22: Old Amegy Bank (Galveston County) Closing COB 6/8 at 6:00PM 2401 Termini St. Dickinson TX 77539 Hours: Mon-Sat, 9 am-6 pm	DRC #61 Old Mattress Store (Nueces County) Closing COB 6/15 4124 S Staples Street Corpus Christi, TX 78411 Hours: Mon-Sat 9 am-6 pm
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