

Holmes County: Community Resources for North Florida

Below are community and state resources for people recovering from storms in Holmes County. **Scroll below to the section labeled Holmes County Resources.** Please refer back to this document as information changes.

If you need help with this list or understanding what resources are available in your community, please call our **Florida Blue Center community specialists**. We can help with community and social services like food programs, transportation services, financial and housing assistance programs, community support resources, and many other types of relief programs.

We're ready to help members and everyone in the community. Visit one of our local [Florida Blue Centers](#) or call 1-877-352-5830, Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. or Saturday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Resources North Florida Region

Here are important resources for North Florida residents:

- [FEMA](#)
- [American Red Cross – North Florida Region](#)
- [Ready.gov](#)
- [CDC: Natural Disasters and Severe Weather](#)
- [Meal on Wheels – Find a Provider](#)
- [Feeding the Gulf Coast](#)
- [211 United Way of West Florida](#)
- [United Way Big Bend 211](#)
- [Florida Disaster](#)
- [St. Johns County Emergency Information](#)
- [Duval County Emergency Information at JaxReady.com](#)
- [Jacksonville Beach Disaster-Preparation-Kits](#)
- [Clay County Emergency Management | Phone: 877-252-9362](#)
- Escambia County 850-471-6400
- [Emergency Management \(myescambia.com\)](#)
- [Franklin County Emergency Management](#)
- [Wakulla Emergency Management](#)
- [Sandbags \(Bay, Gulf, Okaloosa, Jackson\)](#)
- [Local Shelter Information by County – For information about open Shelters, please click here.](#)
- **State Assistance Information Line** – The State Assistance Information Line (SAIL) is a toll-free hotline activated at the time of an emergency to provide an additional resource for those in Florida to receive accurate and up-to-date information regarding an emergency or disaster situation impacting Florida, please call **(800) 342-3557**.

Crisis Cleanup

If you need assistance with hurricane damage, call the **Crisis Cleanup Hotline** at 1-800-451-1954. You will be connected to volunteers from local relief organizations, community groups and faith communities.

Mental Health Resources

Call or text the [Disaster Distress Helpline](#) at **1-800-985-5990**. The national hotline provides free 24/7, crisis counseling for people who are experiencing emotional distress related to any natural or human-caused disaster.

Family Resource Support Center **1-850-300-HOPE (4673)** to speak to a Hope Navigator.

- The Family Resource Support Center serves as a central hub for the community to access needed resources and supports. The center has staff on site, including Hope Navigators, behavioral health partners who specialize in disaster recovery response, and public benefit eligibility specialists to help individuals and families. The Department will continue to work with local organizations and partners across the state to expand the array of resources that are available to help meet the needs of impacted families.

Baker County Resources

- **Sandbag Location:** City Yard located on 764 Hartline Drive in Macclenny, FL
- Text "Shelter" to 43362 for nearby shelters
- [Baker County Emergency Management](#)
- [Baker County Food Pantry](#)

Clay County Resources

Here are some important links for Clay County:

- [Clay County Emergency Management](#) | Phone: **877-252-9362**
- Report power outages to [MyClayElectric.com](#) or call **888-434-9844**
- report downed power lines, trees, damage, and get information 24/7: **877-252-9362**
- [Clay Emergency Management Facebook page](#)

Clay County provides hurricane and storm shelters as part of its comprehensive response to help individuals, families and communities respond to and recover from disasters.

Please keep in mind that the only pets allowed are dogs, cats, rodents (such as hamsters and gerbils), rabbits, and birds. The ADA allows a miniature horse, as long as it provides a service connected to the owner's disability.

SANDBAGS

- N/A

Dixie County Resources

Here are some important links for Dixie County:

PRIMARY SHELTERS

SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTERS

<https://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/emergency-preparedness-and-response/disaster-response-resources/spns-index.html>

SANDBAGS

N/A

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY LOCATIONS

Catholic Charities- Provides services including adoptions, counseling, healing & growth, respite programs, emergency assistance, food pantry and clothes closet. Locations in High Springs and Gainesville and serves Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy and Union counties.

Visit www.Catholiccharitiesgainesville.org

Angel Food Ministries- Provides food relief and financial support to communities throughout the United States. Food is available in a quantity that can fit into a medium size box at \$30 per unit with no income requirements. For more information and to find the pick-up location closest to you call 770-267-7015 or 1-888- 819-3745.

Visit www.angelfoodministries.com

Tri-County Outreach- Provides food, clothing and furniture to those in need. For more information call 352-493-2310. 708 N. Main Street Chiefland, FL 32693

Suwanee River Economic Council- Assists with many services including utilities, home repairs, emergency food, transportation, prescription assistance and respite care. For more information call: Dixie: 352-498-5018 Gilchrist: 352-463-2940 Levy: 352-493-6709 Toll Free: 1-800-597-7579

United Christian Services of Dixie County- Provides services including a food pantry, clothes closet, gas vouchers, medicine, some lodging and utility/rent assistance to residents of Dixie county. For more information call 352- 498-3769. 185 SE 259 Street Cross City, FL 32628.

<https://dixieemergency.org/emergency-management/>

Duval County Resources

- [Duval County Emergency Information at JaxReady.com](http://DuvalCountyEmergencyInformationatJaxReady.com)
- [Evacuation Shelters](#)
- [Storm debris cleanup](#)

Duval County Resources

Here are some important links for Duval County:

Duval County provides hurricane and storm shelters as part of its comprehensive response to help individuals, families and communities respond to and recover from disasters. For registration and information on Special Needs Shelters, please call **904-630-2489**.

GENERAL SHELTERS

Duval County provides general population shelters for North Floridians who have been evacuated from their homes, for those who live in low-lying areas, and for others seeking shelter from a storm. Shelters are alcohol, drug and weapon free. Individuals should come prepared with supplies. **ID cards are not required to enter shelters.**

Shelters will be at:

- Chimney Lakes Elementary
- LaVilla Middle School
- Ocean Way Elementary
- Landmark Middle School
- Atlantic Coast High School
- The Legends Center
- Arlington Middle School

Shelters can accommodate those with special needs. People can check in at any time. There is no cut off and they won't turn you away.

Text "Shelter" to 43362 to get a list of Shelters

SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTERS

Duval County strongly encourages residents who require a Special Needs/Medical Shelter during an emergency to please call 6302489.

- Atlantic Coast High School

PET-FRIENDLY SHELTERS

- Chimney Lakes Elementary
- Landmark Middle School

Duval County anticipates opening pet-friendly shelters during an emergency and reminds families to include pets in their hurricane prep plans:

- Ensure pet vaccinations are current.
- Consider microchipping pets if not already done so to ensure you can find pets in the event you are separated.
- Have a copy of your pet's medical records, which should be included in your "Pet Disaster Kit."
- Arrange for a safe place to stay that permits pets.
- Research places that are pet friendly. (Note – animals are not allowed in Red Cross Shelters, except for service animals, so you may want to stay with a friend or relative, or motel/hotel that is pet-friendly).
- If possible, PLEASE do not leave pets behind during an evacuation or emergency.
- With pending serious weather, bring all households pets inside.

For pet-friendly shelters, individuals are asked to bring a carrier, copy of medical records to ensure pets are current on vaccines, food, water and any necessary medications and identification for the pet.

- [Sandbag Locations](#) — St. Johns County.

- [Sandbag Location](#) --- Duval County

Escambia County Resources

Here are some important links for Escambia County:

- [Sandbag Locations](#)
- [Evacuation Shelters](#)
- [Escambia County Special Needs Shelter](#)
- [Food Pantries](#)
- [Services for after the storm](#)

Escambia County provides hurricane and storm shelters as part of its comprehensive response to help individuals, families and communities respond to and recover from disasters.

Flagler County Resources

Here are some important links for Flagler County:

<https://www.flaglercounty.gov/departments/emergency-management/storm>

- [Sandbag Locations:](#)
- [Evacuation Shelters](#) :
- **WHAT TO BRING TO A SHELTER**
 - House/car keys, medical records, and forms of personal identification
 - Toiletries and hygiene items
 - Adequate supply of water, prescription medicine to last several days
 - Flashlight & batteries, chargers
 - Change of clothing
 - Bedding (no air mattresses)
 - Reading material, puzzles
 - Mobile phone and important numbers for family, friends, neighbors
 - Medical equipment
 - Non-perishable food for dietary reasons

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- As new information is received, this page will be updated accordingly.
- Follow @FlaglerEOC on Facebook, X, Instagram
- Call Center: 386-313-4200

Flagler County provides hurricane and storm shelters as part of its comprehensive response to help individuals, families and communities respond to and recover from disasters.

Holmes County Resources

Here are some important links for Holmes County:

American Red Cross North Florida

Phone number: (850) 432-7601

Website: <https://www.redcross.org/local/florida/north-florida/about-us/locations.html?srsId=AfmBOorjnBOxs7mnuP4xsnAotuMYGbWjG8z2em5d-lwpx93Q1cwDgbbt>

Holmes County Emergency Management

Website: <https://holmescountyfla.com/emergency-management/>

Holmes County Sheriff Department

Phone Number: (850)547-1112

Website: <https://www.holmescosheriff.org/index.html>

Assistance with helping residents navigate to their homes and assist with downed trees.

Facebook Website: <https://www.facebook.com/HolmesCountyEM>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- As new information is received, this page will be updated accordingly.

Leon County Resources

Here are some important links for Leon County:

There are currently no active NWS alerts for Leon County. Visit [weather.gov](https://www.weather.gov) for more weather information.

<https://cms.leoncountyfl.gov/ei/>

- [Leon County Emergency Management](#) – The Division of Emergency Management coordinates emergency management activities, services, and programs within the county and serves as liaison to the Florida Division of Emergency Management and other local emergency management agencies and organizations. Call **850-606-3700**.
- [LeonReady.com](#). County's 2024 Disaster Survival Guide, a full list of disaster supplies for your disaster bucket, and so much more, to increase your readiness.
- [Sign up for Leon County Emergency alerts](#)
- [View Leon County Disaster survival guide](#)
- Download the [Leon County Citizens Connect Mobile App](#) for information about shelter locations, road closures and service changes
- **Listen to 88.9 WFSU-FM** for the most up-to-date information from local public safety officials
- iHeartRadio will also provide updates on the following stations: WFLA-FM 100.7, WFLF-FM 94.5, WTNT 94.9, KISS-FM 107.1, X-FM101.5, and The Beat-FM 105.3.
- **Call 2-1-1 Big Bend** for community information, services and support any day of the year (850-617-6333).
- For updates on City of Tallahassee Utilities and other City services, visit [Talgov.com](https://www.talgov.com).
- **Call 850-606-3700 with questions** - Leon County Emergency Management staff is available to answer questions about how you should prepare, act and recover.

Sandbag Locations- N/A

SHELTERS: N/A

Levy County Resources

Here are some important links for Levy County: [Levy County Shelters](#)

PRIMARY SHELTERS

- Williston Elementary School- 801 South Main Street Williston
Capacity: 775
- Williston Middle High School- 350 Robert Philpot Way Williston, FL
Capacity: 800

SECONDARY SHELTERS

- Chiefland Elementary School- 1205 NW 4th Ave Chiefland, FL
Capacity: 820
- Chiefland Middle School- 811 NW 4th Drive Chiefland, FL
Capacity: 800
- Joyce Bullock Elementary School- 130 SW 3rd St Williston, FL
Capacity: 775

The Red Cross will be on hand at the shelter to provide cots, minor snacks and drinks. Residents should bring their own bedding and clothing.

SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTERS

Bronson Elementary School (Special Needs Only)- 400 Ishie Avenue Bronson, FL
Capacity: 800

<https://snr.flhealthresponse.com/Home/Index>

PET FRIENDLY SHELTER

Bronson Middle/High School-351 - Ishie Ave. (C32) Bronson, FL
Capacity: 800

***Citizens with animals that need to be sheltered need to bring a crate, food, bottled water (1 gallon jug per animal) and any medications. Owners must provide Rabies vaccine certificate and proof of distemper parvo/ feline distemper vaccine. Levy County Animal Services will provide vaccines for addition \$10.00 per vaccines. All animals will be sheltered at the Levy County Animal Control shelter if you cannot provide proof of vaccinations. Citizens who have pet questions should call 352-486-5138.

SANDBAGS

Sandbag stations:

- Gulf Hammock Fire Station

- Cedar Key Community Center
- Rosewood Baptist Church
- Yankeetown Water Plant
- Inglis Municipal Building
- Bronson Town Hall
- Chiefland Maintenance Yard
- Fowler's Bluff Fire Station
- Morriston Fire Station 11
- Fanning Springs Fire Station
- Empty lot across from the Williston Police Department

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY LOCATIONS

First United Methodist Church of Williston- Provides a food pantry. Serves: City of Williston, Morriston, and immediate surrounding areas. One visit every three months per household for food pantry services. Pantry Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am - 12:00pm For more information, please call **352-528-3636**.

Bronson United Methodist Church- Provides a food pantry. Serves: Levy County Pantry Hours: The 1st Friday of every month 9:00am Once a month on a Thursday in the parking lot Catholic Charities 12:30pm For more information, please call. **352-372-0294**

Tri-County Outreach Food Pantry Chiefland- Food Pantry for the needy. Hours: Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Onsite Thrift Store Hours: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm For more information, please call **352-493-2310**.

Unity of Life Foundation- Unity of Life Foundation, a food bank. Serves: Levy County Florida. The program's focus is to identify and utilize resources for food, clothing and shelters in order to eliminate hunger, homelessness and poverty among low-income individuals and families. Please call **562-225-0566**.

Love Levy Community Help Center- Morriston Baptist Church- Love Levy has a clothes closet and food pantry to help those who come. We do not charge for any of our services. We also offer references for other help centers in the area as we are made aware of them. Love Levy Hours: The 4th Sunday of the month 2:00pm - 4:30pm For more information, please call **352-528-4080**.

<https://www.levydisaster.com/>

St. Johns County Resources

Here are some important links for St. Johns County:

- [St. Johns County Emergency Information](#)
- [Sandbag Locations](#) — St. Johns County.
- [Evacuation Locations](#)
- Register for Nixle Alerts by **texting StJohns EOC to 888777**
- Monitor sjcfl.us/hurricane for all storm-related updates
- Call the St. Johns County Emergency Management Citizen Information Line at 904-824-5550 with any storm-related questions.
- Questions about FEMA IHP (individuals and household program)? Call the FEMA disaster helpline at **1-800-621-FEMA**. Hearing/speech impaired, call TTY 1-800-462-7585

St. Johns County Resources

Here are some important links for St. Johns County:

St. Johns County provides hurricane and storm shelters as part of its comprehensive response to help individuals, families and communities respond to and recover from disasters.

GENERAL SHELTERS

St. Johns County provides general population shelters for North Floridians who have been evacuated from their homes, for those who live in low-lying areas, and for others seeking shelter from a storm. Shelters are alcohol, drug and weapon free. Individuals should come prepared with supplies. *ID cards are **not** required to enter shelters.*

PET-FRIENDLY SHELTERS

St. Johns County has pet-friendly shelters during an emergency and reminds families to include pets in their hurricane prep plans:

- Ensure pet vaccinations are current.
- Consider microchipping pets if not already done so to ensure you can find pets in the event you are separated.
- Have a copy of your pet's medical records, which should be included in your "Pet Disaster Kit."
- Arrange for a safe place to stay that permits pets.
- Research places that are pet friendly. (Note – animals are not allowed in Red Cross Shelters, except for service animals, so you may want to stay with a friend or relative, or motel/hotel that is pet-friendly).
- If possible, PLEASE do not leave pets behind during an evacuation or emergency.
- With pending serious weather, bring all households pets inside.

For pet-friendly shelters, individuals are asked to bring a carrier, copy of medical records to ensure pets are current on vaccines, food, water and any necessary medications and identification for the pet.

- [Sandbag Locations](#) —

Nassau County Resources

Here are some important links for Nassau County:

<https://www.onenassau.com/>

Nassau County provides hurricane and storm shelters as part of its comprehensive response to help individuals, families and communities respond to and recover from disasters.

GENERAL SHELTERS

Nassau County provides general population shelters for North Floridians who have been evacuated from their homes, for those who live in low-lying areas, and for others seeking

shelter from a storm. Shelters are alcohol, drug and weapon free. Individuals should come prepared with supplies. *ID cards are **not** required to enter shelters.*

Nassau County will open one storm shelters to the public at 8 a.m. Wednesday

- Wildlight Elementary in Yulee. This shelter will accept the general population, special needs residents, and pets with Rabies vaccinations.
- Residents needing transportation should contact the Emergency Operations Center at 904-548-0900 to arrange for transport.

Nassau County pet-friendly shelters during an emergency and reminds families to include pets in their hurricane prep plans:

- Ensure pet vaccinations are current.
- Consider microchipping pets if not already done so to ensure you can find pets in the event you are separated.
- Have a copy of your pet's medical records, which should be included in your "Pet Disaster Kit."
- Arrange for a safe place to stay that permits pets.
- Research places that are pet friendly. (Note – animals are not allowed in Red Cross Shelters, except for service animals, so you may want to stay with a friend or relative, or motel/hotel that is pet-friendly).
- If possible, PLEASE do not leave pets behind during an evacuation or emergency.
- With pending serious weather, bring all households pets inside.

For pet-friendly shelters, individuals are asked to bring a carrier, copy of medical records to ensure pets are current on vaccines, food, water and any necessary medications and identification for the pet.

- [Sandbag Locations](#) —

Putman County Resources

Here are some important links for Putman County:

https://main.putnam-fl.com/?page_id=48

PutmanAlert.com: <https://member.everbridge.net/453003085613768/login>

- [Sandbag Locations](#) — N/A.
- Shelters: N/A
- Questions about FEMA IHP (individuals and household program)? Call the FEMA disaster helpline at **1-800-621-FEMA**. Hearing/speech impaired, call TTY 1-800-462-7585

Taylor County Resources

Here are some important links for Taylor County:

https://www.taylorcountygov.com/residents/emergency_operations_center.php

PRIMARY SHELTERS.

N/A

SPECIAL NEED SHELTERS

N/A

Pantries



Get Connected. Get Help.™

Call: 211

Text: Your zip code to 898211

Chat: [online here](#)

United Way's 2-1-1 is Central Florida's 24/7/365 information and assistance hotline during natural disasters, and throughout the year, for connecting with community resources, like:

- Shelter information and housing assistance
- Sandbags, tarps and other storm supplies
- Evacuation routes and road closures
- Food, clothing and hygiene locations
- Special needs registry and medical supplies
- Emotional and crisis support

To search for resources in your area using our online database, visit UW211Help.org.

After Storm Resources Information

Emergency food pantry locations

Phone: 407-295-1066

Website: [Feed Hope Now](#)

Red Cross Shelters

Phone: 407-894-4141 (local) or 800-733-2767 (Toll Free National)

Florida Blue and Florida Blue Medicare are Independent Licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.
115299 0923

Website: [Red Cross: Find an open shelter](#)

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

Apply for assistance: [DisasterAssistance.gov](#)

Phone: 800-621-3362

Website: [FEMA.gov](#)

Twitter: [@FEMA](#)

Utility Service Provider: Florida Public Service Commission

Program provides an [online locator tool](#) for public, private and city utility providers. for public, private and city utility providers.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to staff our state's shelters and support other disaster relief organizations.

- Heart of Florida United Way – Disaster Response Team. [Sign up here.](#) .
- Volunteer Florida – Disaster Action Team Responders, Disaster Mental Health Services, and Food Banks. [Sign up here.](#)

Disaster Distress Helpline

Provides 24/7, 365-day-a-year crisis counseling and support to people experiencing emotional distress related to natural or human-caused disasters. **Call 800-985-5990 or text TalkWithUs.**

Veteran Assistance

Taylor County Veterans in need of health care or other services visit address below:

1224 N. Peacock Ave., Perry, Florida 32347

Mosquito Control: 850-838-3539

Florida Hurricane Resources

Florida Disaster State Emergency Response Team (SERT)

Website: [FloridaDisaster.org](#)

Phone: 1-800-342-3557

Twitter: [@FLsert](#)

Facebook: [@FloridaSERT](#)

Alerts: Text **FLPrepares** to 888777 to have alerts sent straight to your phone

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency

Phone: 1-800-621-3362

Website: [FEMA.gov](#)

Twitter: [@FEMA](#)

Florida Special Needs Registry

Website: [FloridaDisaster.org/snr/](https://snr.floridadisaster.org/snr/)

HYPERLINK "https://snr.floridadisaster.org/Signin?ReturnUrl=%2f" **Phone:** 800-374-9689

Special needs by county: [FloridaDisaster.org/disability/specialneeds](https://snr.floridadisaster.org/disability/specialneeds)

<https://florida>

Additional Resources

5-1-1

Contact 5-1-1 for information about traffic and evacuation routes.

Call: 5-1-1

Website: fl511.com

Twitter [@fl511_central](https://twitter.com/fl511_central)

Text alerts: fl511.com/personalizedservices

App: [Find here](#) Find here

GasBuddy

Check GasBuddy for live updates on fuel availability

App: [GasBuddy.com/app](https://gasbuddy.com/app)

Price Gouging Hotline

Report instances of price gouging on hurricane supplies

Phone: 1-866-966-7226

Ready.Gov

Step-by-step plan on how to prepare from days to hours before a hurricane: [Ready.gov/hurricanes](https://ready.gov/hurricanes)