



MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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Hurricane Information

JACKSON- In preparation for Hurricane Nate here are some resources you may need in order for your family and visitors to be fully prepared for the upcoming storm. Please follow the advice of your local officials regarding the possibility of evacuation. We encourage those in low lying and flood prone areas, those in motor homes and travel trailers to seek shelter. We encourage people with disabilities to go to the accessible shelters indicated below.

Recommended items:

- Medications
- Food items for persons with dietary restrictions
- Clothing
- Assistive Devices

Shelters

The following shelters are scheduled to open Saturday, October 7, 2017:

Jackson County – 8:00 AM opening

East Jackson County Safe Room, 18413 Highway 613, Moss Point, MS 39562
Central Jackson County Community Safe Room, 5500 Ball Park Rd, Vancleave, MS 39565
West Jackson County Safe Room, 13000 Walker Rd, Ocean Springs, MS 39564

Harrison County – 2:00 PM opening

- *County Farm Rd Safe Room, 15035 County Farm Rd, Gulfport, MS 39503
- *D'Iberville High School, 15625 Lamey Bridge Rd, Biloxi, MS 39532
- *West Harrison High School, 10399 County Farm Rd, Gulfport, MS 39503
- *Lobouy Safe Room, 9509 Lobuoy Rd, Pass Christian, MS 39571
- *Saucier/Lizana Safe Room, 23771 Saucier-Lizana Rd, Saucier, MS 39574

Forrest County – 2:00 PM opening

Forrest County Safe Room, 946 Sullivan Drive, Hattiesburg, MS 39401

George County – 4:00 PM opening

Agricola Community Center, 3161 Cooks Corner Rd, Lucedale, MS 39452

Benndale Community Center, 5207 Hwy 26 W, Lucedale, MS 3945

All Shelters above are accessible except the East and West Jackson Co. locations. Pet friendly shelters are indicated with asterisks*.

Pet Friendly Shelters

If you seek shelter with pets, consult you County Emergency Director for pet friendly shelters. All pets in pet-friendly shelters must be crated in the shelter.

Make sure you bring the following items with you:

- Leash and collar
- Kennel or crate
- Bedding
- At least 1- week supply of food and water
- Vaccination records
- Medications
- Bags for sanitary needs or kitty litter with enclosed container

We ask the public and MDHS personal to monitor our social media and website to stay informed concerning Hurricane Nate. MDHS will be utilizing the following outlets: Social Media (via Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn), along with the MDHS website <http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/>.