Be PREPARED to

EVACUATE

In an emergency, like a hurricane, you may have to evacuate quickly. Learn how to protect yourself, your loved ones, and your property.



Did you know...

48%

of Americans have created and practiced an emergency plan.

Residents should prepare to leave if a **voluntary evacuation** is recommended, as conditions are expected to become dangerous. If a **mandatory evacuation** is ordered for a designated area, residents should evacuate immediately, as there is an imminent threat to life and property.

If you have to evacuate, follow the instructions of local officials. **They will direct you to an evacuation route.** Evacuation signs direct you away from the coastline and out of the city along major arteries. They do not bring you to a specific location. **Have a plan in place** that accounts for all members of your household. Knowing how you will evacuate and where you will stay could save your life.

BEFORE AN EVACUATION -

Download CodeRED and 3-1-1.	Decide where you will stay.
Gather essential documents.	Find transportation.
Prepare your home.	Make an emergency kit.
☐ Protect your windows.	☐ Non-perishable food
 Use sandbags to prevent flooding. 	
 Turn off utilities if instructed 	☐ First aid kit and medications
by officials.	Phone chargers
Secure items in your yard.	

DURING AN EVACUATION

Evacuation zones are areas most at risk of coastal storm impacts. To find out if you live in a hurricane evacuation zone, visit **providenceri.gov/pema/storms**

Stay tuned in to local officials for evacuation information. If evacuations are issued by zone, don't leave until your zone has been told to evacuate. This will help reduce traffic congestion.

ZONE A

ZONE B

ZONE C





Emergency shelters provide a safe space during and after an incident until it is safe to return home. To find out when shelters are open, keep your CodeRED and 3-1-1 emergency alerts on and check the City of Providence and American Red Cross social media.



Locate a pet shelter!

Bring pet supplies (food, water, medication, bed, collar with ID tag, leash, grooming items, sanitation needs, and carrier). Bring your pet's records if you decide to stay at an emergency shelter.

AFTER AN EVACUATION

- Wait for officials to announce it is safe to return.
- Watch out for downed power lines and debris.
- Call 911 to report emergencies (such as downed power lines and gas leaks).
- Check your home for mold and other damage.
- Food may spoil due to power outages. When in doubt, throw it out!

Call 311 | PVD311 app

City Services

Call 211

United Way of RI

Call 988

Emotional Support



