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# **PRESS RELEASE**

# CITY OF WINTER PARK MONITORS & PREPARES FOR HURRICANE DORIAN

**WINTER PARK, FL,** an internationally-recognized, award winning city with multiple accredited agencies (August 28, 2019) - The City of Winter Park is monitoring and preparing for the potential impact of Hurricane Dorian. All city departments are fully prepared, secured, and on standby. The city's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is currently functioning at Level 3, monitoring status, however, may be activated at a higher level pending the track of the storm.

#### **SANDBAGS**

#### **LOCATION**

- Ward Park & Showalter Stadium Parking Lot (288 Perth Lane)
- Enter site via Perth Lane
- Exit site via Cady Way

#### DATES

- Thursday, August 29, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Friday, August 30, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday, August 31, from 8 a.m. to noon

## QUANTITY (while supplies last)

- Limit eight per resident or business owner within the city limits
- Please bring a proof of residency driver's license, valid ID or utility bill statement

This sand bag distribution is practicing a Fill It Yourself model with the city providing shovels, bags and sand on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are physically unable, city staff will be available to assist those in need.

#### OFFICIAL CITY ONLINE RESOURCES

- Website > cityofwinterpark.org/emergency
- citEnews email service > cityofwinterpark.org/citEnews
- Facebook® > facebook.com/WinterParkEmergencyInfo (@WinterParkEmergencyInfo)
- Twitter® > cityofwinterpark.org/twitter (@winterparkfla)
- Nextdoor® > sign up at nextdoor.com

### **OTHER IMPORTANT RESOURCES**

- Non-emergency information line 407-599-3494 (live upon EOC activation)
- MessageCenter@cityofwinterpark.org (live upon EOC activation)
- Electric utility power outages 1-877-811-8700
- Water & wastewater utilities outages 407-599-3219

#### **OUTREACH**

Sign up for the city's emergency alert system to receive updates on extreme weather conditions, boil water alerts, power restoration status, and hurricane/tornado warnings. To sign up for OUTREACH, visit cityofwinterpark.org/outreach.

#### **REMINDERS**

- Conserve water and postpone unessential activities that use water (laundry, dishwasher, car washing, etc.) until after the storm.
- Tie down and secure loose outdoor equipment and materials including grills, garbage cans, potted plants, and patio furniture.
- If possible, stay off the roads and remain indoors.
- Make sure to have a hardwired telephone that does not require electricity and a working battery-operated radio to keep informed during a power outage.
- Review emergency disaster plans with all family members.
- Keep your disaster kit stocked.

#### **WATER**

- Store water in plastic containers such as soft drink bottles.
- Store one gallon of water per person per day.
- Keep at least a three-day supply of water per person (two quarts for drinking, two quarts for each person in your household for food preparation/sanitation).

#### **FOOD**

- Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking, and little or no water. If you must heat food, pack a can of sterno or have a charcoal or gas grill available.
- Select food items that are compact and lightweight such as ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits and vegetables. Keep a manual can opener easily accessible.