

# *City of Tarpon Springs* *Emergency Management*



**Hurricane Season**  
**2011**

# Did you know?

- 2010 Hurricane Season had the **THIRD** highest number of named storms – 19
- 2010 Hurricane Season had the **SECOND** highest number of Hurricanes – 12
- 2010 Hurricane Season also produced 5 major storms of Cat 3 or higher

**DIDN'T THINK SO!**

Here is why...



A blue sky with light clouds over a blue ocean with a sun reflection.

They all Missed!

Five years since landfall of a significant  
storm...

How long until the luck runs out?

Hurricane Apathy

# Are you Ready?

## "Prepare your Home"

- If your roof needs replacement, a new one that is installed to a stronger code since 2002
- Shutter your windows. Glass can be broken by flying debris. Duct tape provides no protection
- Check weather stripping and caulking around windows and doors, replacing if necessary
- Check your garage door. If your door needs replacing, look for reinforced, wind rated model

# Are you Ready?

## Prepare your Yard

- Properly prune your trees and shrubs. Do not leave piles of clippings as they become projectiles in a storm
- Keep your gutters and downspouts clear and in good repair
- Bring in yard furniture, toys, bird baths, feeders, barbecue grills when hurricane warning issued
- Do not drain your pool. Super chlorinate the water and turn off all electricity to the pool and its accessories
- May put patio furniture in pool

# Are you Ready?

## Prepare your Vehicle

- First Aid Kit
- Nonperishable food and bottled water
- A can of tire inflator
- A basic tool kit
- Jumper cables and road flares
- Flashlight
- DC to AC car power inverter
- Chargers for cell phone and other devices
- A map with shelter and other important locations

# Are you Ready? Business "Go Box"

- List of important business phone numbers
- Insurance policies
- Backup files/tapes of electronic data
- Copies of essential business contracts and plans

# Know YOUR Evacuation Zone

- [http://pubis.co.pinellas.fl.us/hurricane\\_txt/](http://pubis.co.pinellas.fl.us/hurricane_txt/)
- Call 727-453-3150 automated line
- Maps on display at Library lobby, City Hall main hall, City Collection lobby, Public Safety Facility lobby

# How to register your Pet

- [www.pinellascounty.org/animalservices](http://www.pinellascounty.org/animalservices)
- Call 727-582-2150

**All pets MUST be pre-registered!**

# Preventative Measures for our Utilities

To protect the City's water distribution system and to prevent additional damage from occurring due to water line breaks, specific areas within the distribution system should be isolated prior to a hurricane.

These areas of isolation are specific to the category of Hurricane and based upon "Mandatory Evacuation" of those areas.

Isolation of specific water lines and shut down of certain lift stations would prevent unnecessary sewer overflows from occurring reducing the risk of additional public health issues.

# Shelter Situation

## *Red Cross Shelter:*

Tarpon Springs Middle School

Capacity of 2,617

## *Closest Pet Shelter:*

Dunedin Highland Middle School

70 Patricia Av Dunedin

# 2011 Predictions

- 12-18 Named Storms
- 6-10 Hurricanes (74 mph)
- 3-6 Major Hurricanes (131 mph)

# 2011 Storm Names

Arlene

Cindy

Emily

Gert

***Irene***

Katia

Maria

Ophelia

Rina

Tammy

Whitney

Bret

Don

Franklin

Harvey

Jose

Lee

Nate

Philippe

Sean

Vince

# Social Media

## Stay informed!

- [www.twitter.com/pinellasEM](http://www.twitter.com/pinellasEM)
- [www.facebook.com/pinellascountynews](http://www.facebook.com/pinellascountynews)
- Bright House Channel 615
- AM 1610
- <http://ctsfl.us/>



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**WHERE ARE THOSE  
HURRICANES?**

**WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS!!**

**Don't be a victim of  
"HURRICANE AMNESIA"!**

