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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Flagler County officials encourage residents to prepare to evacuate, shelter will open 8 a.m. Wednesday

October 8, 2024- In preparation for the impacts of Hurricane Milton, the Flagler County Emergency Operation Center will open a public Hurricane Evacuation Shelter at 8 a.m. Wednesday in conjunction with a mandatory evacuation order.

For residents whose evacuation plans are to go to hotels/motels or stay with friends/family, we recommend you do so well before the evacuation orders are issued. preferably this evening, to help limit the traffic on the roads on Wednesday.

All residents in the following neighborhoods are urged to prepare for evacuations:

- Residents living in Mobile Homes and RV's Countywide
- Coastal / Island Communities
 - o The entire island from the St Johns County Line to the Volusia County Line
 - o Marineland through Flagler Beach
- Mainland Communities
 - o South of SR-100 (Moody Blvd)
 - Neighborhoods off John Anderson Hwy
 - Neighborhoods off Palm Dr
 - Bulow RV Park & Homes, off Old Kings Rd
 - Polo Club West / Sweetbottom Plantation properties along Lexington Court / Ashland Way up to the Bulow Creek
 - Between SR-100 (Moody Blvd) and Palm Coast Pkwy
 - Neighborhoods off Lambert Ave
 - Marina Del Palm (properties along the Intracoastal waterway / basin)
 - Palm Coast Plantation
 - Properties off South / North Riverwalk Drive
 - North of Palm Coast Pkwy

Properties within Princess Place Preserve

After the Evacuation Orders are issued, at 8 a.m. Wednesday, residents seeking public sheltering will be able to go to Rymfire Elementary School, located at 1425 Rymfire Drive, Palm Coast. This pet-friendly shelter will serve as both a general population and special medical needs shelter.

Individuals with special medical needs, including those who require assistance with daily living, depend on electricity for oxygen support, or have medical conditions that limit their ability to care for themselves, should take note: it's important for a family member or caregiver to accompany them to the shelter for proper assistance.

The shelter will also accommodate residents who are from an area under an evacuation order and have no other place to go. Dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, rodents and turtles - are the allowed pets. There is a four-pet maximum. Pet owners should bring current vaccination records and supplies, including crates/cages, and medications.

What to bring to a shelter:

- Cash
- Keys
- Medical records
- Medical equipment
- Identification
- Water for several days
- Prescription medications
- Flashlight and batteries
- Special dietary food
- Clothing
- Bedding (air mattresses not permitted)
- Reading material
- Contact information for family and friends

For the latest Hurricane Milton updates and information on upcoming evacuation orders, please visit:

Find the latest updates on:

- Instagram: www.Instagram.com/FlaglerEOC
- X (Twitter): www.Twitter.com/FlaglerEOC
- Facebook: www.Facebook.com/FlaglerEOC
- Web: <u>www.FlaglerCounty.gov/emergency</u>