

# The 2021 Hurricane Season is upon us!

The Town of Ball encourages you take a moment to finalize your personal game plan by checking your emergency supplies, conducting an insurance checkup of your home and property, and developing an emergency plan for your family. Any preparedness steps you take now can reduce stress and protect you and your family during an emergency. The resources included are designed to help you with that process.

# **Create an Emergency Supply Kit**

What items do you and your family use every day? Clothes, food, medication, a radio or tv, pet food, a first aid kit, and books and magazines- all of these are important everyday items that weneed during an emergency. Make an emergency supply kit that contains the items important to you and your family.

#### Make a Plan

Once you have an emergency supply kit, you need a plan. Where will you go and what will you do if you are in an emergency situation? How will you get in contact withyour family if you get separated? Have a family meeting place set in case you get lost. Create a list of important phone numbers and names of your immediate family and an out-of-town relative. Keep this list with your emergency supply kit.

# HELPFUL RESOURCES



Town of Ball (318)640-9605 www.townofball.com



Sign up for the Town of Ball Code Red Warning Alert System by going to the link below.

https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BFE76F4A49DA

or call Town Hall for assistance (318)640-9605



**Disasters & Assistance** 

Call FEMA toll-free at 1-800-621-FEMA

(1-800-621-3362) to apply for assistance or check your application status.

Visit DisasterAssistance.gov, check FEMA's mobile app, Or call the FEMA Helpline at 1-800-621-FEMA (1-800-621-3362)



### SHELTER INFORMATION

For shelter information contact 2-1-1 or your Parish OHSEP.

To check out current road conditions & view live traffic feed go to https://www.511la.org/

For up-to-date road closures go to http://www.dotd.la.gov/



Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (DSNAP)



# **Emergency Shelter Information** and Checkpoints

Because of the fluid nature of shelter occupancy, citizens are encouraged to obtain information about shelter openings and locations at shelter information points along the evacuation route.

## **Up-to-Date Shelter Information**

- Call 211
- For statewide information, text

LASHELTER to 898-211



511LA.ORG 511 OR 888-ROAD-511 (888-762-3511)

### ROAD CLOSURE INFORMATION

DOTD - 511LA.org , dial 511 or 888-ROAD-511 (888-762-3511).

## Disaster Food Assistance Information

- The Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (DSNAP) provides eligible low-to moderate-income households who do not receive SNAP benefits with help buying groceries due to lost income or damages following a disaster.
- Louisiana residents can preregister for DSNAP at www.dcfs.la.gov/dsnap or by calling 1-888-524-3578. Pre-register now and be ready to apply if DSNAP is approved for your parish.
- For up-to-date information about DSNAP, text LADSNAP to 898-211 or go to www.dcfs.la.gov/dsnap.
- Current SNAP recipients are not eligible for DSNAP and should not preregister. Find more about SNAP disaster assistance at www.dcfs.la.gov/snapstorms.

# <u>Disaster Supplies Kit</u>

Hurricanes, floods, and other disasters can seriously disrupt normal life. Services may not be available; transportation may be cut off and roads may be blocked. In some cases, you may be forced to evacuate. Be ready to respond to any situation by assembling and maintaining a Disaster Supplies Kit.

### **WATER-** Plan on one gallon of water per person per day.

Store water in plastic containers such as soft drink bottles.

Avoid using containers that will decompose or break, such as mason jars or glass bottles.

Use water for health

Because water is so important to human survival, it should never be withheld. Drink at least two quarts per day, as long as supplies last, and look for alternative sources.

### **FOOD SUGGENTIONS-** Store at least a three-day supply of no-perishable food.

Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits, and vegetables

Canned juices, milk, soup (if powdered, store extra water)

Sugar, salt, pepper

Peanut butter, jelly, crackers, nuts, granola bars, trail mix.

Comfort stress foods-cookies, hard candy, sweetened cereals.

Store the supplies in an easy-to-carry object such as a large, covered trash container, camping backpack, or a duffle bag.

### FIRST AID KIT- Contact your local American Red Cross chapter to obtain a basic first aid textbook.

Sterile adhesive bandages (assorted sizes)

Sterile gauze pads (4-6 assorted sizes)

Hypoallergenic adhesive tape

Sterile roller bandages

Scissors

**Tweezers** 

Needles

Moistened towelettes

Antiseptic

Thermometer

Lubricant

Assorted sizes of safety pins

Cleansing agent-soap

*Latex gloves (2 pair)* 

Sunscreen

Aspirin or non-aspirin pain reliever

Anti-diarrhea medication

Antacid (for upset stomach)

*Syrup of Ipecac (use to induce vomiting if advised by the Poison Control Center)* 

Laxative

Activated charcoal (use if advised by the Poison Control Center)

### **SUPPLIES & TOOLS**

Battery-operated radio and extra batteries

Non-electric can opener, utility knife

Fire extinguisher, small canister, A-B-C type

Tent, tarp

Pliers

Tape

Compass

*Matches in a waterproof container* 

Aluminum foil

Signal flares

Paper and pencils

Needles and thread

Medicine dropper

Shut off wrench, to turn off household gas and water

Household chlorine bleach

Emergency Whistle

### **CLOTHING & BEDDING-** Include at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person.

Sturdy shoes or work boots

Rain gear

One blanket or sleeping bag per person

#### **SANITATION**

Toilet paper, towelettes

Antibacterial soap, liquid detergent

Feminine supplies

Personal care items-shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, comb and brush, lip balm.

Disinfectant

Household chlorine bleach

## **SPECIAL ITEMS**- Include items for household members with special needs, such as infants, elderly, or disabled individuals.

**Babies Elderly** 

**Formula** 

**Diapers** 

Wet wipes

Powdered Milk **Medications** 

**Bottles** 

Heart and high blood pressure medications

Insulin

*Prescription drugs* Denture needs

# **IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS**- Keep these records in a waterproof container.

Will, insurance policies, contracts, deeds, stocks, & bonds.

Passports, social security cards, immunization records

Savings and checking account numbers

*Credit card account numbers and companies* 

*Inventory of valuable household goods, important telephone numbers* 

Family records (birth, marriage, death certificates)