

# Huntington Lake Villas Community Association

## Emergency Operations Plan



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# Huntington Lake Villas Community Association Emergency Operations Plan

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## Overview

Information contained in this document is the Emergency Operations Plan for the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association (HLVCA) in Pawleys Island, South Carolina

The intent of this plan is to provide a frame work for use in responding to, supporting and performing emergency functions during a major disaster or a wide range of potential emergency incidents occurring in areas within Huntington Lake Villas owned by and/or under the jurisdiction of the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association. (HLVCA)

This Emergency Operations Plan includes four phases of emergency management. They are:

Prevention: Those activities which eliminate or reduce the probability of an incident, also known as mitigation.

Preparedness: Those activities developed to save lives, avoid harm and minimize damage.

Response: Immediate activities which prevent loss of lives and property and provide emergency assistance.

Recovery: Short & long term activities which return all systems to normal and/or improve standards.

This plan will be revised and updated as required. All recipients are requested to advise the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association's Board of Directors regarding recommendations for improvements.

Approved by the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association's – Board of Directors

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## **Statement of Purpose**

The purpose of this plan is to provide a local level integrated emergency management approach. The plan is designed to both describe and guide the emergency-disaster response of the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association.

The purpose of the plan is to provide a means to utilize all available resources needed to:

- Mitigate and/or prevent potential emergencies or disasters whenever possible!
- Prepare to deal efficiently with the effects of emergency events!
- Support matters of life safety and property protection!
- Promote a means to recover rapidly from unavoidable damages!

**HLVCA is reliant on Georgetown County for Law, Fire & Emergency Services! First contact should always be Georgetown County for Law, Fire & Emergency Services!**

The plan is intended to support and not to interfere with and/or impede the efforts of Georgetown County Emergency Management Services, Emergency/Ambulatory Services, the Georgetown County Sheriff's Department, State Law Enforcement, the Midway Fire Department, FEMA, the National Guard, Federal/State/County Safety Personnel, Utility Company Services (Electricity, Water, Telephone), Wild Life Services, etc.

Recognizing all possible situations can never be anticipated, the plan is intended to be both "generic" and "hazard specific" while covering a wide range of potential emergency and disaster situations. This plan is also based on the possibility of any given incident and not necessarily the probability of incident occurrence.

Emergency and disaster situations include but are not limited to the following: hurricanes, tropical storms, tornadoes, floods, lightning strikes, and major structural fires.

Weather related disasters (hurricane, tropical storm, tropical depression, tornado, etc.) and fire pose the greatest threat to the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association. The guidelines set forth in this document are intended to prepare for such a disaster, though aspects of this plan can be used for other disaster scenarios.

**Disclaimer(s): Exercising personal responsibility for emergency planning and evacuation is incumbent on all residents!**

## **Goals of the Plan**

Priorities are (1) Life Safety, (2) Incident Stabilization, (3) Property Preservation, (4) Maintaining Communications with State, County & Local Agencies as Needed

- ✓ Support Georgetown County & State Law Enforcement Officials
- ✓ Support Midway Fire, Emergency Care and Rescue Officials
- ✓ Support Georgetown County, State & Federal Emergency Management Personnel
- ✓ Support Evacuation Efforts
- ✓ Preserve Structural Safety
- ✓ Maintain Accurate Documentation Throughout the Event.
- ✓ Return the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association to operational levels.

## **Situations and Assumptions**

The Huntington Lake Villas Community Association (HLVCA) is located in Georgetown County within the State of South Carolina. Huntington Lake Villas is located on the East Coast of South Carolina in Northern Georgetown County. The community consists of 53 independent homeowners with villas.

Property Location:

- ✓ Huntington Lake Villas is Located in Georgetown County Flood Zone “B”
- ✓ Huntington Lake Villas elevation ranges from @ 7 to 20 feet above sea level
- ✓ Huntington Lake Villas is bordered on the West by the Waccamaw River
- ✓ Bordered on the North by Brookgreen Gardens
- ✓ The Atlantic Ocean is less than 3 miles away
- ✓ The Myrtle Beach International Airport is less than 45 minutes away
- ✓ The Charleston International Airport is 90 minutes away

Ingress & egress to Huntington Lake Villas is through 1 entrance:

- ✓ 1 Entrance – Wilbrook Blvd (1 Staffed, 1 Electronic Access)

The nearest hospitals are Tideland's Waccamaw Community Hospital (Murrells Inlet) and Tideland's Georgetown Memorial Hospital (Georgetown)

Vulnerability:

- ✓ All properties are potentially at risk for flooding due to high water levels and storm surges during tropical storms and hurricanes
- ✓ All properties are potentially at risk for wind, rain and tree damage during tropical storms and hurricanes.
- ✓ Streets are potentially susceptible to flooding during heavy rains.
- ✓ The presence of wild life including alligators and poisonous snakes in unanticipated locations is likely.

#### Assumptions – Hazard Analysis:

1. Hurricanes, Tropical Storms, Tropical Depressions & Tornados are potentially the most problematic natural causes or disasters in the Huntington Lake Villas Community.
2. Flooding can affect properties and travel in heavy down pours.
3. Fires, Brush Fires can potentially be a problem during periods of drought and lightning strikes based on the community's wooded areas. Structural Fires and Car Fires can potentially be a problematic in residential areas with attached homes or in close proximity.
4. Shortages: The shortage of energy, food and water could threaten the welfare of HLVCA residents based on the potential for interruption of deliveries.

A fire or weather-related disaster poses the greatest threat to the Huntington Lake Villa Community. The following are critical assumptions associated with a weather-related disaster:

- All or most residents and visitors will evacuate.
- Areas of the community association's roads are deemed impassable due to flooding, debris and/or fire/rescue operations.
- Utilities (power, water, telephones) will be down for 24-72 hours (or longer).
- All requests for assistance (law enforcement, fire suppression, rescue, medical assistance, structural repair may have to be handled initially by the HLVCA Board of Directors, and Property Manager.
- Routine provisions will become an HLVCA concern including but not limited to: shelter, food, water, sanitary necessities, tree removal, etc.
- The Property Manager's office building is inaccessible due to flood waters, damage, etc. The Property Manager is forced to work remotely.
- HLVCA's President, Board of Directors and Property Manager will be overtaxed and/or could be unavailable.

## Concept of Operations

### **General:**

The operation of the plan will be coordinated amongst all members of the Huntington Lake Villa's Community Association's Board of Directors and Property Manager. The intent of the plan is to ensure the HLVCA is not dependent upon any one individual.

The Huntington Lake Community Association's Board of Directors and Property Manager will collect, record and evaluate information in order to determine measures to be taken before, during and after disasters/emergencies.

The information gathered will be evaluated and used to identify the need for critical resources to support response activities and minimize the effects of the emergency.

Areas considered "problematic" including areas prone to flooding requiring the deployment of resources will be inspected, monitored and/or recorded. Photographs and video recordings should be used to document areas of concern whenever possible!

Public information will be coordinated with local Georgetown County/State/Federal Safety Personnel, Law Enforcement, Fire Department, Emergency Care, and Utility Company Services (Electricity, Water & Telephone) as necessary.

The primary meeting space for the Board of Directors and the Property Manager will be at a sight to be determined based on the condition of passable roads due to flooding, debris, utility services and/or fire/rescue operations.

### **Operations:**

Activation, Mobilization and Operation of the plan commences when the President of the Huntington Lake Community Association's Board of Directors or in his/her absence a majority of all available members of the Board of Directors determine that the severity and length of the situation warrants plan implementation to reduce the threat of life and/or property.

- Alert Georgetown County Sheriff's Department and Midway Fire Department. Ask for assistance and coordination of other resource agencies.
- Alert Georgetown County Emergency/Ambulatory Services, County/State/Federal Safety Personnel, Utility Company Services (Electricity, Water, Telephone) and Wild Life Services, etc. for assistance and coordination of other resource agencies.

- Alert the residents of the Huntington Lake Villas of the disaster or impending disaster if necessary. Support efforts and arrange for the evacuation of threatened areas if necessary.

## **Organization & Responsibilities**

### **Organization:**

The Huntington Lake Villas Community Association’s Board of Directors will meet to review and discuss situational issues as needs demand.

The President of the HLVCA and Property Manager at the Direction of the Board of Directors will be the primary conduits for the planning, coordination, organization, administration and operations related to all situational issues requiring attention.

All Board of Directors shall participate in the emergency management activity as appropriate and their availability dictates within their capabilities and committee responsibilities.

Upon approval by the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association’s Board of Directors, volunteer persons offering services will also be considered.

### **Responsibilities:**

The Huntington Lake Villas Community Association’s Emergency Operations Plan consists of this basic plan (template) with appropriate annexes to cover specific areas of responsibility and information during emergency operations.

Annex A. – Direction & Control: Emergency Management Staffing & Functions

Annex B. - Damage Assessment: Purpose & Responsibilities Regarding Post Damages

Annex C– Communications: Organization regarding communications prior, during and post a disaster/emergency

Annex D. – Essential Information: Includes a list of information to be gathered after a disaster/emergency

Annex E – Post Disaster Response Outline: Includes an outline of responsibilities to be considered post-event regarding the operation of HLVCA

Annex F – Re-entry Policy



## **Plan Development & Maintenance**

### **Plan Development:**

This plan has been developed to address a wide range of potential disaster and emergency incidents that may affect the Huntington Lake Villas Community.

### **Maintenance of the Plan:**

The Huntington Lake Villas Community Association's Board of Directors will schedule a review of the plan annually. Ideally, the plan's review will be conducted in the 1<sup>st</sup>. calendar quarter of each year to allow ample time for discussion of any proposed changes prior to the beginning of the "rainy/hurricane" season (6/1 – 11/30).

The plan shall be reviewed after an actual emergency/disaster to identify changes and/or to adjust operations to improve its efficiencies and effectiveness.

Recommendations or suggestions to the plan shall be brought to the attention of the HLVCA Board of Directors and Property Manager. Changes to the plan will be by approval of the HLVCA Board of Directors.

Inspection and/or documentation of all assets are critical. Photographs and video recordings should be taken prior to and after any disaster event to ensure all structures, gates, walls, roads, drainage concerns, fountains, foliage, etc. are returned to pre-event conditions.

## **Annex A**

### **Direction & Control**

**Purpose:**

To identify personnel assigned to the Emergency Management Team and outline duties and responsibilities of the essential positions in order to provide direction before, during and after disasters and/or emergencies.

Primary Members of the Emergency Management Team:

- The Huntington Lake Villas Community Association - Board of Directors
- The Huntington Lake Villas Community Association - Property Manager
- Volunteers Approved by the HLVCA Board of Directors

\*\* See the Attachment titled “Important Phone Numbers” for HLVCA Directors for Specific Contact Information \*\*

## **Annex B**

### **Damage Assessment**

To provide for post disaster or emergency incident assessment of damages in order to give Georgetown County Emergency Management, State of South Carolina Emergency Management and FEMA information regarding the extent of property damage.

**Mission:**

- Provide a preliminary damage assessment within 24 hours
- Provide a detailed disaster or emergency incident assessment post event
- Assist in computing damages
- Assist in determination of proper resources for recovery

## **Annex C Communications**

To identify the means of communications that will be used during a disaster or emergency incident.

### **Mission:**

To provide the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association Board of Directors and Property Manager the ability to communicate with each other as well as all Georgetown County, State and Federal Agencies during an emergency event.

### **Organization:**

Personal land lines and cell phones will be the primary means of communication amongst the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association Board of Directors, the Property Manager, and volunteer members.

The Huntington Lake Villas Community Association’s Board of Directors will use available communication tools including: land lines, cell phones, Email and text messages to communicate with residents. Other potential communication tools include but are not limited to: “Town Square Website”, Email Blasts, “Next Door”, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.

## **Annex D Essential Information**

This annex identifies a list of essential information to be gathered after a potential a disaster or emergency event:

- Boundaries and Scope of the Disaster Area
- Access Points to the Disaster Area
- Status of Fire & Rescue Operations
- Hazard Specific Information
- Local Weather Conditions
- Status of Utilities
- Status of Communications
- Status of Roads
- Status of Drainage / Flooding
- Status of Grounds / Trees / Fountain(s)

## **Annex E**

### **Post-Disaster Response Outline**

This annex identifies responsibilities post disaster or emergency event:

#### The Disaster Area:

- Check and Inventory the physical areas for which you are responsible.
- Check and inventory the equipment, supplies and materials for which you are responsible.
- Check the records for which you are responsible.

#### Locations / Relocations / Temporary Structures:

- Identify all usable buildings and structures including the resources of each building (functionality, centralization, electricity, communications, etc.)
- Identify all services and response efforts that will need temporary quarters.

#### Parameters for Governing/Operating HLVCA:

##### 1<sup>st</sup> 24 Hours:

- Identify what must be done today and make assignments
- Identify who needs to be contacted for services and support
- Document property conditions with photographs and videos
- Identify items scheduled for the day that need to be cancelled or relocated

##### 1<sup>st</sup> 24 to 48 Hours:

- Continue to identify what must be done today and make assignments
- Continue to identify and follow-up on needs for services and support

##### 1<sup>st</sup> 2 to 7 Days:

Schedule a meeting of the Huntington Lake Villas Community Association Board of Directors and Property Manager to communicate with all Georgetown County, State and Federal Agencies post emergency event as well as all residents.

- Continue to identify what must be done today and make assignments
- Continue to identify and follow-up on needs for services and support
- Resume as much routine as possible
- Acknowledge agencies, volunteers, victims and individuals with recognition.

### Local Communications:

- Notify residents about changes in meeting dates & meeting locations
- Notify residents about changes in property manager's locations
- Provide contact information to residents (Emergency Numbers, Help Lines)
- Identify scheduled activities for today that need to be cancelled or relocated
- Identify who needs to be contacted for services and support

### County / State / Federal Communications:

- Liaison with officials for services and support

### Deal With Physical Losses of Community Association Property:

- Insurance claim coordination
- Operations relocation
- Initiate plans to replace building, roads
- Continue to remove debris and damaged foliage

## **Annex F**

### **Re-Entry Policy:**

This annex identifies suggested steps to facilitate preservation of property along with a safe and orderly re-entry process after mass evacuation.

A staged re-entry is suggested to preserve property and ensure a safe and orderly re-entry process after a mass evacuation.

No one will be denied re-entry with an HLVCA issued bar code and/or with proper identification. Proper identification includes a valid driver's license with a Huntington Lake Villas address and/or a utility bill with an Huntington Lake Villas address.

#### Re-Entry Stages:

Priority One: Essential Personnel - Georgetown County Sheriff's Department, State Law Enforcement, Georgetown Fire Department, Georgetown County/State/Federal Safety Personnel, National Guard, Utility Company Services (Electricity, Water, Telephone), Wild Life Services, etc.

Priority Two: Permanent residents.

Priority Three: Non-resident property owners.

Priority Four: General Public and Visitors

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### Attachments



## Emergency Numbers

Emergency Numbers		Phone Number		Contact	
Fire Department	911	843-545-3620			
Police – County Sheriff	911	843-546-5102			
Police – SC Highway Patrol	911	843-546-7300			
Ambulance Litchfield		843-545-3620			
Tidelands Hospital Murrells Inlet		843-652-1000			
Waccamaw Mgt.		843-237-9551		Lisa Hergenrother	
HLVCA Board of Directors					

### Links:

- [Georgetown County Emergency Management on Facebook](#)
- [Georgetown County Emergency Management on Twitter](#)
- [State of South Carolina Emergency Management Division](#)
- [National Hurricane Center](#)
- [Red Cross](#)
- [FEMA](#)

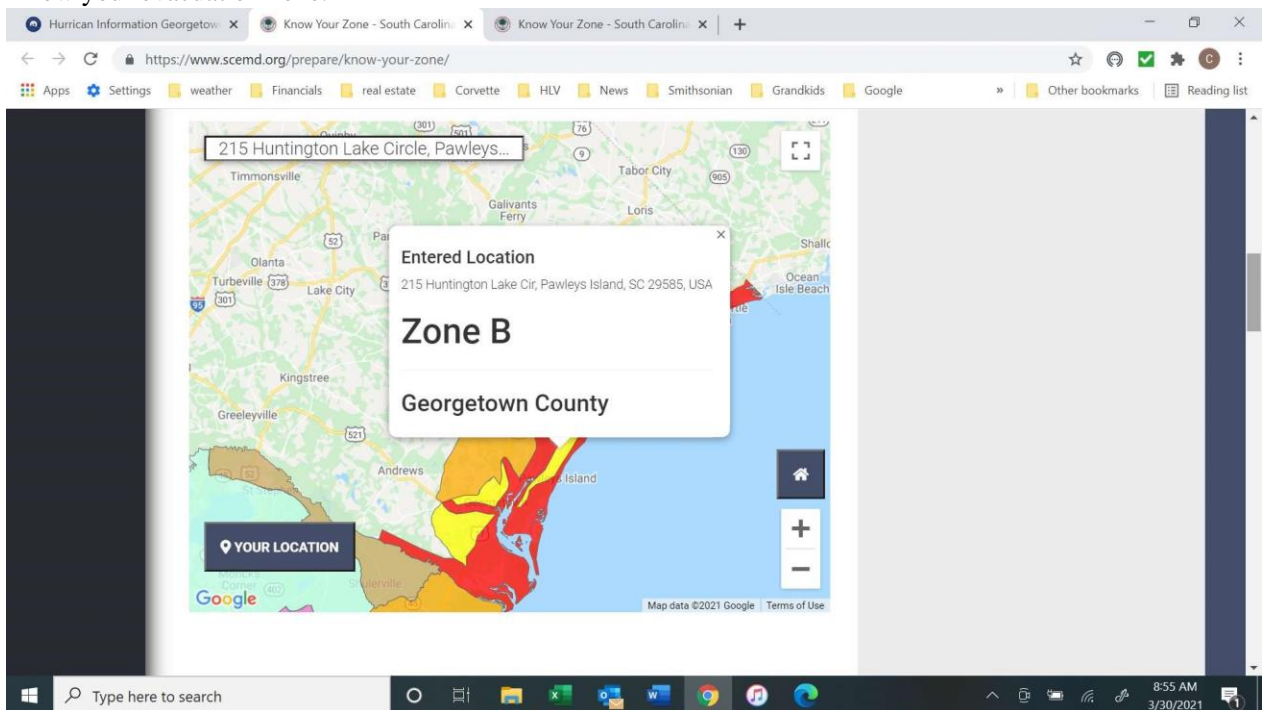
# Georgetown County Hurricane Preparedness

## What is a hurricane?

- Counterclockwise rotating storm
- Consists of a low barometric pressure "eye" with a surrounding storm reaching out hundreds of miles
- Minimum winds of 74 mph / heavy seas / tornadoes / rain / tidal surge
- Atlantic storms generally develop as tropical waves in the eastern Atlantic region and track west to northwest, maturing into tropical storms and then finally a hurricane (although they can form anywhere off the coast)

## What to do before a hurricane:

- Know your evacuation zone.



- Plan an evacuation route. Evacuation is highly recommended if you live in a mobile home.
- Stay tuned to your local television and radio stations for emergency information.
- Learn safe routes inland and the location of official shelters. Be prepared to drive 20 to 50 miles inland to locate a safe place.
- Have disaster supplies on hand: flashlight and extra batteries; portable battery-operated radio and extra batteries; first aid kit and manual; emergency food and water for at least 3 days; non-electric can opener; essential medicines; cash and credit cards; sturdy shoes.
- Make arrangements for pets. Pets are not allowed in official shelters. A listing of pet-friendly hotels is available by contacting Georgetown County Emergency Management or visiting [PetsWelcome](#) or [OfficialPetHotels](#).
- Fuel up and service family vehicles.
- Teach family members how and when to turn off gas, electricity and water.



- Teach children how and when to call 911, police or fire department, and which radio station to tune to for emergency information.
- Protect your home. Cover windows with permanent shutters, plywood panels or other shielding materials. Inspect and secure mobile home tie-downs. Bring inside lawn furniture and other loose, lightweight objects, such as garbage cans, garden tools, etc.
- Trim back dead or weak branches from trees. Clear loose and clogged drain gutters and downspouts.
- Determine where to move your boat during a storm.
- Develop an emergency communication plan in case family members are separated from one another during a disaster.

### **What to do during a hurricane:**

- Stay tuned to your local television and radio stations for emergency information.
- Stay inside a well-constructed building. Stay away from windows and doors even if they are covered. Go to an interior first floor room such as a basement, closet or under the stairs.
- Be alert. Tornadoes are often spawned during hurricanes.
- If the "eye" of the storm passes over your area, be aware that the weather conditions will return with winds from the other direction in a very short time.

### **What to do after a hurricane:**

- Wait until an area is declared safe before entering. Roads may be closed for your protection. Do not drive in flooded areas.
- Check gas, water, and electrical lines and appliances for damages.
- Avoid using candles and other open flames indoors. Use a flashlight to inspect for damage.
- Use the telephone to report life-threatening emergencies only.
- If plugging a generator into your home's electrical system, disconnect your main breaker to prevent electrocution of personnel working on power lines.

# Family Emergency Plan

It is important to keep enough supplies in your home to meet the needs of your family for at least three days. Assemble a Family Emergency Kit with items you may need in an emergency or evacuation. Store these supplies in sturdy, easy-to-carry containers such as suitcases, duffle bags or covered storage containers.

## **Include at a minimum:**

- Water, two gallons of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Manual can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
- Local maps
- Cell phone with chargers
- Prescription medications and glasses
- Infant formula and diapers
- Pet food and extra water for your pet
- Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records in a waterproof, portable container
- Family emergency contact information
- Cash or traveler's checks and change

## **Additional items to consider include:**

- Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person. Consider additional bedding if you live in a cold-weather climate.
- Complete change of clothing including a long-sleeved shirt, long pants, and sturdy shoes. Consider additional clothing if you live in a cold-weather climate.
- Fire extinguisher
- Multipurpose tool
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Duct tape
- Dust mask to help filter contaminated air
- Feminine supplies and personal hygiene items
- Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils, paper towels
- Paper and pencil
- Books, games, puzzles or other activities for children

## **Water**

- Store water in plastic containers such as soft drink bottles or plastic milk jugs. Avoid using containers that will break, such as glass bottles. A normally active person needs to drink at least two quarts of

water each day. Hot environments and intense physical activity can double that amount. Children, nursing mothers, and ill people will need more.

- Store two gallons of water per person per day (one gallon for drinking, one gallon for food preparation/sanitation)
- Keep at least a three-day supply of water for each person in your household.

## **Food**

- Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration, little preparation or cooking and little or no water. Select food items that are compact and lightweight.
- Ready-to-eat canned meats, fruits, and vegetables
- Canned juices, milk, soup (if powdered, store extra water)
- Staples--sugar, salt, pepper
- High energy foods--peanut butter, jelly, crackers, granola bars, trail mix ☐ Vitamins
- Foods for infants, elderly persons or persons on special diets
- Comfort/stress foods--cookies, hard candy, sweetened cereals, lollipops, instant coffee, tea bags

## **First Aid Kit**

- Assemble a first aid kit for your home and one for each car. Contact your local American Red Cross chapter to obtain a basic first aid manual. Each first aid kit should include:
  - 2-inch sterile gauze pads (4-6)
  - 4-inch sterile gauze pads (4-6)
  - Hypoallergenic adhesive tape
  - Triangular bandages (3)
  - 2-inch sterile roller bandages (3 rolls)
  - 3-inch sterile roller bandages (3 rolls)
  - Scissors
  - Tweezers
  - Needle
  - Moistened towelettes
  - Antiseptic
  - Thermometer
  - Tongue blades (2)
  - Tube of petroleum jelly or other lubricants
  - Assorted sizes of safety pins
  - Cleansing agent/soap
  - Latex gloves (2 pairs)
  - Sunscreen

## **SUGGESTIONS AND REMINDERS**

- Store your kit in a convenient place known to all family members. Keep a smaller version of the Family Emergency Kit in the trunk of your car.
- Keep items in air-tight plastic bags.
- Change your stored water supply every six months so it stays fresh.
- Rotate your stored food every six months.
- Re-evaluate your kit and family needs at least once a year. Replace batteries, update clothes, etc.
- Ask your physician or pharmacist about storing prescription medications.

## **Georgetown County Emergency Shelters**

### **EMERGENCY SHELTER LOCATIONS**

#### Red Cross Emergency Shelters:

- Pleasant Hill Elementary School, 127 School House Drive (Hwy 513)

#### EMERGENCY SHELTER SUPPLIES

While emergency shelters provide a safe place to stay and minimal food, specialty items for infants and individuals on restricted diets may not be available. It may take several days until permission is given by local authorities to re-enter an evacuated area.

Bring these items with you to a shelter:

- First aid kit
- Prescription medications (for a week)
- Baby food and diapers (for a week)
- Cards
- Games
- Books
- Toiletries (for a week)
- Battery-powered radio and extra batteries
- Flashlight and batteries
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Identification and valuable papers (copies of insurance papers, passports and other essential documents)

#### EMERGENCY SHELTER TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to an emergency shelter will be provided on a limited basis if you have no other means to get to a shelter. Call the Georgetown County Emergency Management Division for information on when transportation will become available.

Pick-up points are:

- Food Lion - Hwy. 707 and Hwy 17 (760 Mink Avenue), Murrells Inlet
- Waccamaw Middle School - 320 Wildcat Way, Pawleys Island
- Waccamaw Elementary School - 1364 Waverly Road, Pawleys Island
- St. Mary's AME Church - 8833 Ocean Hwy, Pawleys Island
- Tractor Supply Company - 1295 North Fraser Street, Georgetown
- Food Lion - 2234 South Fraser Street (Maryville), Georgetown
- St. Cyprian's Catholic Church - 1905 Front St., Georgetown, SC

## Georgetown County Emergency Services

**Location:** 2222-C Highmarket Street, Georgetown, SC 29440

**Phone:** (843) 545-3213

**Fax:** (843) 520-1637

**Email:** [Emergency Services](#)

**Hours:** 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday - Friday (except for legal holidays)

**Mailing Address:** 2222-C Highmarket Street, Georgetown, SC 29440

**Point of Contact:** Tracey Howle, Administrative Assistant

### Department Functions:

To oversee key emergency service agencies and the integration of these services in Georgetown County, including: the County Fire/Emergency Medical Services Division, Midway Fire Rescue and Emergency Management.

The Emergency Services Department must coordinate with all City and County agencies as well as with Special Purpose Districts located within Georgetown County to address a broad range of emergency issues. Emergency Services serves as a liaison with federal, state and other agencies to ensure the safety and well being of the citizens of Georgetown County. There are three divisions of Emergency Services including: Emergency Management, Georgetown County Fire/Emergency Medical Services and Midway Fire Rescue.

### Additional Information:

The telephone numbers of the managers/chiefs for each department within Georgetown County Emergency Services are listed below.

- [Georgetown County Fire / Emergency Medical Services](#)  
Chief Mack Reed, (843) 545-3271
- [Georgetown County Emergency Management](#)  
Brandon Ellis, (843) 545-3273
- [Midway Fire Rescue](#)  
Chief Doug Eggiman, (843) 545-3620

### Links:

The information provided in the following websites may be useful, although not all of the listed sites are official government sites and may not be completely up-to-date or accurate.

#### *Situation Reports and News Releases*

- [S.C. Emergency Management Division](#)

#### *Traffic Information*

- [S.C. Department of Public Safety/Real-Time Traffic](#)
- [S.C. Department of Transportation](#)

#### *Weather*

- [National Weather Service](#)
- [National Hurricane Center](#)
- [National Data Buoy Center](#)

## Georgetown County Emergency Services Continued

### Other Useful Sites:

#### *Animal Emergencies*

- [Clemson Livestock Poultry Health](#)
- [SC Association of Veterinarians](#)
- [S.C. Animal Care and Control](#)

#### *Earthquake Information*

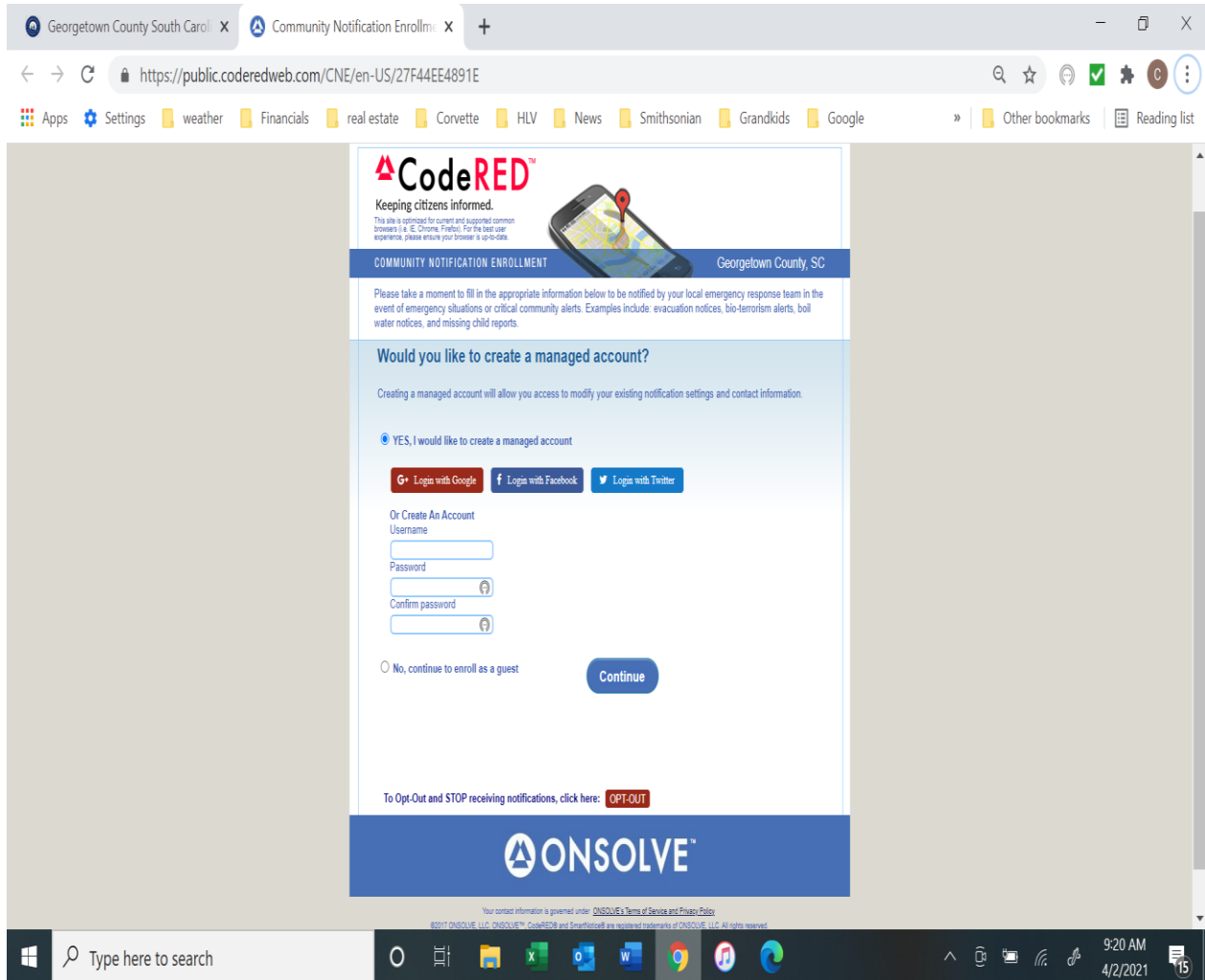
- [SCDNR-South Carolina Geological Survey](#)
- [SC Earthquake Education and Preparedness Program](#)
- [University of South Carolina Seismic Network](#)

#### *Additional Information and Resources*

- [American Red Cross](#)
- [Citizens Corps](#)
- [Federal Emergency Management Agency \(FEMA\)](#)
- [Ready Kids from FEMA](#) - (Emergency & Disaster Preparedness for Children)
- [Salvation Army](#)
- [S.C. Department of Agriculture](#)
- [SC Educational TV and Radio](#)
- [SC Department of Insurance](#)
- [State of South Carolina](#)
- [International Association of Emergency Managers](#)
- [International Association of Fire Chiefs](#)
- [National Emergency Management Association](#)
- [S.C. emergency Management Association](#)
- [Southeastern Association of Fire Chiefs](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control](#)
- [SC DHEC](#)

# Georgetown County Emergency Notification Signup Website

<https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/27F44EE4891E>



## Frequently Asked Emergency Management Questions

### **Q: What are the procedures following a hurricane and/or disaster?**

**A:** First, a damage assessment team assesses the damage of the affected and evacuated area. This team consists mainly of public safety personnel.

If only minor damage exists specifically to utilities such as power, water and sewer, and roadways, county officials make the decision for the time for re-entry.

If major damage occurred to buildings, utilities or roadways, the county provides property owners a time to visit and survey the damage of their property. To gain access to their property, owners must have a copy of the property title, or a tax receipt, or utility bill bearing the address of the property, and picture identification. A driver's license showing a physical address is acceptable. Once utility companies restore damages and it is safe for entry, County Officials notify property owners that they may return to their property.

### **Q: What are the requirements concerning hurricane evacuation?**

**A:** When the Governor orders an evacuation, it is required that everyone in the designated area leave. The evacuation order carries the force of state law. In addition, once you leave the area, the order prohibits you from returning until the Governor suspends the order.

### **Q: Where should I go during an evacuation?**

**A:** Each individual and family in the evacuation zone should decide the best place to move to in the event of an evacuation. This may include staying with family or friends, or traveling to a motel outside the evacuation zone. Several local American Red Cross shelters also provide emergency shelter.

### **Q: Can you tell me what roads are open/closed?**

**A:** While we will do our best to post road closings on our Facebook and Twitter pages, the best resource to follow is [511sc.org](http://511sc.org). On your smartphone, you can download the 511 South Carolina Traffic app on the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).

### **Q: Are the bridges open?**

**A:** Typically, the only conditions that will force the bridges to close is if they suffer structural damage or if there is an accident on the bridge that necessitates its closure. Bridges on state roads, such as the "Georgetown Bridges" linking Georgetown to the Waccamaw Neck, are controlled by SCDOT.

### **Q: How do I make a personal preparedness plan for my family?**

**A:** To help ensure your family is ready for any disaster, you should complete our personal preparedness plan, and make sure you keep it in a safe place with other important documents that you would want to take during an evacuation or other emergency situation. This plan contains vital information about your family. Click the link below to fill out the form.



# GEORGETOWN COUNTY OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS

## OPCON ONE

### FULL ALERT

A DISASTER OR EMERGENCY IS IMMINENT OR OCCURRING. THE COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER IS FULLY ACTIVATED. EMERGENCY RESPONSE PERSONNEL ARE ACTIVATED.

## OPCON TWO

### ENHANCED AWARENESS

A DISASTER OR EMERGENCY IS LIKELY TO AFFECT THE COUNTY. EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLANS ARE IMPLEMENTED. THE COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER IS PARTIALLY ACTIVATED IF NECESSARY.

## OPCON THREE

### NORMAL DAILY OPERATIONS

AGENCIES PLAN, TRAIN, COORDINATE AND EXERCISE AS NEEDED. INCIDENTS ARE MONITORED BY THE COUNTY WARNING POINT AND COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.



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# Huntington Lake Villas Community Association

## HLV Amenity Center Storm Plan

In preparedness for a predicted hurricane or major storm, we need to protect the newly acquired Pool furniture by moving them into the Amenities Center.

A committee of volunteers will need to:

1. Move all chairs (20) inside the Exercise Room.
  - a. Move the Rowing Machine to the north wall
  - b. Place the chairs along the wall facing the pool
2. Move the three Tables into the Exercise Room.
3. Stack the eight Lounges in the men's room.
4. Move the older chairs to men's room along with snack tables.
5. Move the older table at the lake gazebo to the ladies' room or upside down into pool.
6. Remove the wall clock outside the Amenity Center and place inside the Exercise Room.