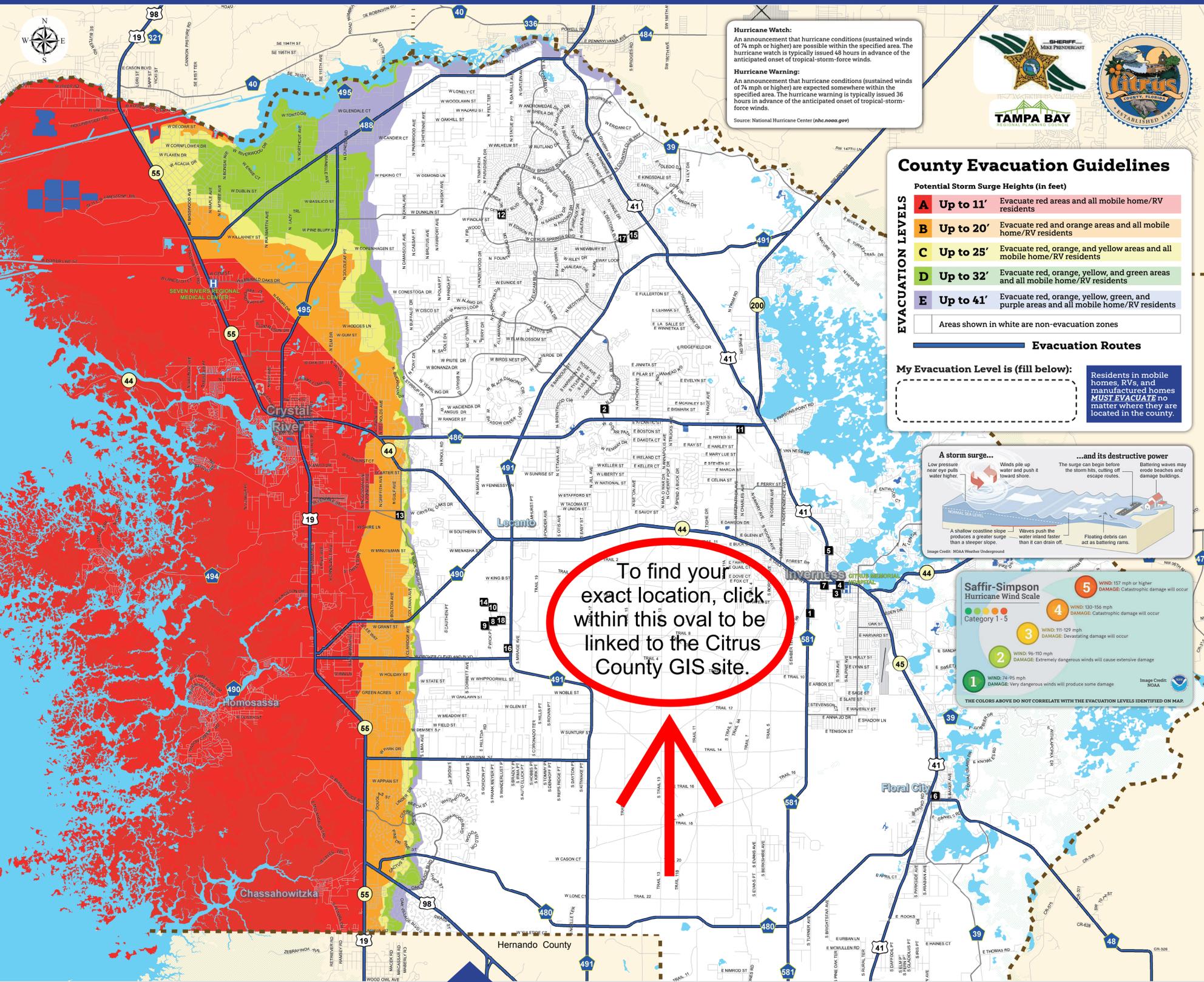


Citrus County EVACUATION LEVELS & SHELTERS



Find your closest Evacuation Shelter on the map.

#	Evacuation Shelter	Address
1	PLEASANT GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	630 PLEASANT GROVE ROAD, INVERNESS
2	FOREST RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2927 NORTH FOREST RIDGE BLVD., HERNANDO
3	CITRUS HIGH SCHOOL	600 WEST HIGHLAND BLVD., INVERNESS
4	INVERNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL	206 SOUTH LINE AVENUE, INVERNESS
5	INVERNESS MIDDLE SCHOOL	1950 U.S. HIGHWAY 41 NORTH, INVERNESS
6	FLORAL CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	8457 EAST MARVIN STREET, FLORAL CITY
7	WITHLACOCHEE TECHNICAL COLLEGE (RECEPTION CENTER)	1201 WEST MAIN STREET, INVERNESS
8	LECANTO PRIMARY SCHOOL	3790 WEST EDUCATIONAL PATH, LECANTO
9	LECANTO MIDDLE SCHOOL	3800 WEST EDUCATIONAL PATH, LECANTO
10	LECANTO HIGH SCHOOL	3810 WEST EDUCATIONAL PATH, LECANTO
11	HERNANDO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	2975 E TRAILBLAZER LANE, HERNANDO
12	CITRUS SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3570 WEST CENTURY BLVD., CITRUS SPRINGS
13	ROCK CRUSHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	814 SOUTH ROCK CRUSHER ROAD, HOMOSSA
14	CREST SCHOOL	2600 SOUTH PANTHER PRIDE DRIVE, LECANTO
15	CITRUS SPRINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL	150 WEST CITRUS SPRINGS BLVD., CITRUS SPRINGS
16	CENTRAL FLORIDA COMMUNITY COLLEGE	3800 SOUTH LECANTO HIGHWAY, LECANTO
17	CENTRAL RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	185 WEST CITRUS SPRINGS BLVD., CITRUS SPRINGS
18	RENAISSANCE CENTER	3630 WEST EDUCATIONAL PATH, LECANTO

NOT ALL SHELTERS MAY BE OPEN! Citizens are urged to listen to local television or radio stations, or visit the Sheriff's Office website, sheriffcitrus.org, to find out which shelters are going to be opened.

Follow us on social media @sheriffcitrus and download the free app for Citrus County Sheriff's Office on Google Play or in the App Store.

Shelter-in-Place

Local authorities will give evacuation orders for areas with significant risk of damage resulting from a high wind or storm surge event. Evacuating unnecessarily can cause overcrowded shelters and traffic jams.

If you live in a sound site-built structure outside of an evacuation area (especially if built since 2002 and it is not located in a flood prone zone), sheltering in place may be an option. However, listen to Emergency Management officials during the event as to the best guidance based on potential countywide storm impacts.

Your shelter-in-place location should contain enough non-perishable food, blankets, communication equipment (such as radios), alternate power sources, first aid supplies, necessary medications, and any required durable medical equipment (e.g., hearing aid batteries, catheters) to allow self-sustainment in that location for a minimum of 72 hours. For a detailed list of supplies recommended for home emergency supply kits, consult ready.gov.

Using Your County Map

- Locate where you live and work on the map.
- Determine whether you are in an evacuation area, and if so, what level (color).
- If you are in an evacuation area, or live in a mobile home/RV, decide where you will go if ordered to evacuate.
 - Your choices include:
 - Home of a relative or friend outside the evacuation level.
 - Hotel/motel outside the evacuation level (make arrangements early).
 - Go to a public evacuation shelter.
 - As a last resort, leave the area entirely.
- If you must go to a public evacuation shelter, use your county map to decide which one is convenient. Make sure you verify that the evacuation shelter is open **before you go**.

Hurricane Threat

- The color coded areas on the map are vulnerable to storm surge. Storm surge is produced by water being pushed towards the shore by the force of the winds moving around the storm.
 - Storm surge creates a path of destruction, wiping out structures as it rapidly surges inland and then recedes. This is a life threatening situation for anyone who ignores evacuation orders and stays in vulnerable areas.
 - Hurricanes are categorized on a scale of 1 to 5, depending on wind strength and destructive power. The evacuation levels are color coded to designate the level of storm surge likely to occur.
 - If you live in an area ordered to evacuate, gather your family/pets and emergency supplies, secure your home, and leave the evacuated area. Failure to obey an evacuation order is a violation of state and local laws.
- NOTE: All persons living in mobile homes/RVs must evacuate for all evacuation orders, regardless of where you are located in the county, due to threat of tornados or high velocity winds.

Hotel/Motel Evacuation

If you plan to evacuate to a hotel or motel, you will need to check for availability and make your reservation well in advance. Some hotels/motels have standing reservation hurricane programs and some relax their pet restrictions in an emergency. Again, make sure your destination is not in an evacuation area.

Space in a Public Shelter

Evacuation shelters are opened for the single purpose of protecting life. We open them based on the ability of that facility to withstand the forecasted wind effects and storm surge. Evacuation shelters do not have generators and offer no services other than a very basic food provision, water, and a limited amount of floor space per person. It is a public environment where there are large numbers of people in close proximity to each other. There are no cots, pillows or blankets provided. Evacuees must bring their own bedding and supplies.



General population: 20 sq. ft. of space is available for one person and all necessary items.



Medically-dependent (upon prior registration): 60 sq. ft. of space is available for one medically-dependent person, one caregiver, and all necessary items.

Leaving Coastal Areas

If you are leaving the area, remember to take supplies with you. Move inland away from the storm surge and inland flooding; however, it is recommended that residents evacuate "tens of miles, not hundreds" if possible. Roads will be heavily congested. You run the risk of being caught on the highway without a safe refuge or running into the storm if it takes a different track.

Citrus County Flood Management

Flood Insurance Mandatory Purchase Requirement: Flood insurance is mandatory for all federal or federally-related financial assistance for the acquisition and/or construction of buildings in Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs). An SFHA is defined as any A or V flood zone on a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). Property owners can purchase building and contents coverage from any local property and casualty insurance agent.

To find a local insurance agent that writes flood insurance in your area visit floodsmart.gov.

Citrus County provides flood zone information based on our community's Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs). Citrus County provides information regarding flood zone designation, Letters of Map Amendments, copies of Elevation Certificates and/or Flood Proofing Certificates, Floodplain Determination Letters, historic flood information, mitigation activities, and retrofitting techniques.

The Citrus County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) website provides a link to the current digital FIRM maps, which can be accessed and located by address via gis.citrusbocc.com.

For more information, contact: Karla Grzecka, CFM at karla.grzecka@bocc.citrus.fl.us or 352-527-5310.

Social Media Accounts

- facebook.com/sheriffcitrus
- twitter.com/sheriffcitrus

Emergency Alert Stations

TELEVISION	RADIO
WUFT CH. 5	WXVC 95.3 FM
WFLA CH. 8	WXOF 96.3 FM
WTSP CH. 10	WSKY 97.3 FM
WTVT CH. 13	WKTK 98.5 FM
WCTB CH. 28	WRUF 93.7 FM
WTOG CH. 44	WRZN 720 AM
SPECTRUM: ALL CHANNELS	STRS 920 AM
	WINV 1560 AM

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFO.

POLICE, FIRE, EMS EMERGENCIES	9-1-1
CITRUS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ADMINISTRATION	352-726-4488
CITRUS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	352-249-2700
CITRUS COUNTY TRANSIT	352-527-7630
LECANTO GOVERNMENT BUILDING	352-527-5200
CITRUS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	352-527-0068
CITRUS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS	352-527-5477
CITRUS COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES	352-746-8400
CITRUS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ANIMAL CONTROL	352-249-2790
CITRUS COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT	352-527-7670
CITRUS COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD	352-726-1931
CITRUS COUNTY BUILDING DIVISION/ FLOOD MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR	352-527-5310
NATURE COAST VOLUNTEER CENTER	352-527-5959
CITY OF INVERNESS ADMINISTRATION	352-726-2611
CITY OF INVERNESS PUBLIC WORKS	352-726-2321
CITY OF INVERNESS DEVELOPMENT SERVICES	352-726-3401
CITY OF CRYSTAL RIVER ADMINISTRATION	352-795-4216 x301
CITY OF CRYSTAL RIVER PUBLIC WORKS	352-795-4216 X314
CITY OF CRYSTAL RIVER BUILDING & ZONING	352-795-4216 x306
FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL	1-866-369-4613
FLORIDA FISH & WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION	904-359-6585
AMERICAN RED CROSS	1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)
SALVATION ARMY (CITRUS COUNTY)	352-513-4960
UNITED WAY OF CITRUS COUNTY	352-795-LIVE (5483)
DUKE ENERGY (TO REPORT OUTAGES)	1-800-228-8485
SUMTER ELECTRIC COMPANY (TO REPORT OUTAGES)	1-800-732-6141
WITHLACOCHEE RIVER ELECTRIC COOP (TO REPORT OUTAGES)	352-567-5133
CITIZEN INFORMATION & RUMOR CONTROL LINES - OPEN DURING EMERGENCIES	352-249-2775

DO NOT CALL 9-1-1 FOR DISASTER INFORMATION