

# TOWN OF SOUTHOLD PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION & GUIDE



The mission of Southold's Office of Emergency Management is to help prevent, prepare, respond to, restore services, recover from and mitigate the effects of any natural or man-made disaster impacting our Town. Our team's responsibility includes identifying activities and strategies that aid in the effort to elevate the general level of awareness pertaining to emergency preparedness. These strategies also include public education and training, recruiting, mobilizing and coordinating volunteers in an effort to support emergency preparedness. Our overall goal is your safety.

*Supervisor Scott Russell*

## **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

Emergency	911
Police Non-Emergency	631-765-2600
Southold OEM	631-765-2784
Human Resource Center	631-298-4460
Highway Department	631-765-3140
Northfork Animal Welfare League	631-765-1811
Optimum	631-727-6300
PSEG	800-490-0075
National Grid	800-490-0045
Long Island Rail Road	516-822-5477
FEMA	800-621-3362
NYS HSES	518-292-2200
S.C. Office of Emergency Management	631-852-4900
Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)	631-853-8820
CDC of Long Island	631-471-1215

## **OPTIMUM CHANNELS**

Southold's Government Access	22
NEWS 12 - Long Island News	12
Long Island Traffic and Weather	61

## **RADIO CHANNELS**

WLNG - 92.1 (FM)	WALK - 97.5 (FM)
WBAB - 95.3 (FM)	WBAZ - 102.5 (FM)
WEHM - 96.9 (FM)	WRCN - 103.9 (FM)
WTIC - 1080 (AM) for Fishers Island	

## **SHELTERS**

### **PRIMARY GENERAL POPULATION**

- Peconic Community Center**  
1170 Peconic Lane, Peconic
- Oysterponds School**  
23405 Main Rd, Orient
- Greenport School**  
720 Front St, Greenport
- Fishers Island School**  
Greenwood St., FI

### **SECONDARY GENERAL POPULATION**

- Southold School**  
420 Oaklawn Av, Southold
- Mattituck High School**  
15125 Main Rd, Mattituck

(Shelters will be opened if the magnitude of the event requires it.)

### **SPECIAL NEEDS - NON MEDICAL**

- Human Resource Center**  
750 Pacific St, Mattituck

## **EVACUATION**

- ✓ If an EVACUATION is ordered by Southold Town officials – do so!
- ✓ If certain travel routes are advised, use those routes rather than trying to find short cuts.
- ✓ Make certain you have enough fuel for your car.
- ✓ Watch out for areas where rivers or streams may flood suddenly.
- ✓ Do not try to cross a stream or pool of water unless you are certain that the water will not be over your knees, or above the middle of the wheels of your car.
- ✓ As you travel, keep listening to the radio for additional instructions and warnings.

## DISASTER PLANNING

**D**isasters whether they are natural or manmade can be dangerous. They include forces that can generate high winds, torrential rain, tornadoes and flooding all of which can cause death, injury and costly property damage. Therefore, preparation is very important.

The Atlantic hurricane season runs for six months, from June 1 through November 30. Prepare now, learn what to do before a hurricane strikes, how to stay safe during the event, and where to find help when you need it.

- ✓ Have a disaster plan for you and your family. Keep your friends and family informed of your whereabouts and condition during a disaster.
- ✓ Know the hurricane risks in your area – learn the storm surge history and elevation of your area.
- ✓ Learn about local sheltering plans, including the location of official shelters and how to get to the shelters.
- ✓ Know how and when to turn off water, gas and electricity in your home.
- ✓ Have an emergency supply kit ready for use and keep its contents updated regularly.
- ✓ Obtain and store materials, such as plywood, necessary to properly secure your home.
- ✓ Clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts.
- ✓ Keep trees and shrubbery trimmed of dead wood.
- ✓ Review your insurance policy.
- ✓ Determine where to move your boat in an emergency.
- ✓ Make plans now on what to do with your pets should you be required to evacuate your residence.
- ✓ Individuals with special needs or others requiring more information should contact the Town's Emergency Management Office.

### Stay Connected!

<http://southoldtownny.gov/notifyme>

**The Town Supervisor will communicate evacuation orders and instructions through the local media, the Town's website and by our local Police and Fire Departments going door to door. Evacuees should plan their mode of transportation to the shelters.**

## EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT

- ✓ One gallon of water per person per day for at least three to seven days
- ✓ At least a three to seven day supply of non-perishable food
- ✓ Battery-powered or hand crank radio
- ✓ Flashlight and extra batteries
- ✓ First aid kit and a seven day supply of medications.
- ✓ Whistle to signal for help
- ✓ Extra blankets and clothing may be required to keep warm. Sturdy shoes protect feet from broken glass and debris.
- ✓ Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- ✓ Manual can opener for food
- ✓ Alternate cooking source.
- ✓ Special items for infant, elderly, or disabled family members.
- ✓ Take a basic first-aid and CPR courses. Keep your skills current.
- ✓ Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger
- ✓ Important documents should be stored in a waterproof container.
- ✓ **The Town's shelters do not provide food or any sort of emergency provisions.**
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## FAMILY PLAN

- ✓ Know where your close family members are.
- ✓ Have a family communication plan.
- ✓ Know how to receive emergency alerts.
- ✓ Determine the local evacuation routes.
- ✓ Know where the local shelters are located.
- ✓ Have a meeting place at home or at a shelter.
- ✓ Where is your emergency supplies kit located?
- ✓ Have a plan for the family pets.
- ✓ Have a plan to secure your home.

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