

# Palmer Glen Disaster Recovery Plan



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This document was prepared in order to provide **very general information** that will help you make choices as to what is best for you and your family in times of a disaster. It does not purport to be, nor is it based on substantial scientific, legal, or medical advice. It is simply a compilation of ideas and suggestions collected from many sources that we hope will stimulate you to provide for the disaster we all hope never happens.

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# **Palmer Glen Hurricane Disaster Relief Plan**

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## Section A

### **Outside Services:**

The Gate Doctor, Inc. 941-486-0091  
507 East Laurel Road  
Nokomis, FL

Southern Exposure Landscaping 941-809-8284  
Dave Votaw  
7956 Megan Hammock Way  
Sarasota, FL

### **Sarasota County Sheriff:**

Steve Burns 941-861-4073  
Lt. Dario Valenti 861-5580  
Deputy Neil Scully 861-5800

### **Sarasota County Fire Department:**

Dispatch and Information 941-861-5300

### **Florida Power & Light:**

Information 941-917-0708

### **Hospitals:**

Sarasota Memorial-Tamiami Trail 941-917-9000  
Doctors Hospital-Bee Ridge Road 342-1100

### **Verizon Telephone:**

Repair Department 800-483-2000

### **Sarasota County Water & Sewer:**

Information 941-861-0818

### **VOAD (Voluntary Organization Active In Disaster):**

941-861-5300

### **American Red Cross:**

941-379-9300

### **Sarasota County Transportation**

Department: 941-861-0957

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## Section B

### Emergency Shelters:

Sarasota County Information	941-861-4636
1. Lakeview Elementary School	7299 Proctor Road
2. Ashton Elementary School	5101 Ashton Road
3. Sarasota Middle School	4826 Ashton Road **

These are three alternative shelters nearby to Palmer Glen that are listed in the Sarasota County hurricane guide. (Tatum Ridge is NOT a shelter for residents, it serves as a shelter for Sarasota Memorial patients previously registered with the hospital in case of a hurricane.)

Only one shelter, Sarasota Middle School allows pets\*\* (cats and dogs). Please note that the County will not be opening shelters unless a Hurricane would become a level 3. At that time, the County would be advertising on the radio and in the newspaper.

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## Section C

### Board Members:

Joe Branconi	President	341-9479
Bjorn Svenson	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	343-0526
Craig Smith	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	378-5135
Alex Bilichuk	Secretary	378-8214
Ken Smith	Treasurer	378-9069

### Community Management:

Jim Unger	Manager	378-8401
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## Section D

### Disaster Recover Volunteer List:

Alex Bilichuk 7493 PGC 378-8214

- Willing to help with Clean-Up
- Check on Neighbors
- Has a generator
- Willing to serve as requested
- Owns and operates a chainsaw
- Trained in CPR

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## Section E

### **Suggestions for Homeowners:**

**In some disasters there are fires, which can spread extremely rapidly. There is only one rule for a fire: GET OUT with your family ASAP. Call it in from somewhere else. Do not ever go back for the personal belonging(s) that you “can’t live without”; even to save your pet.**

### **Using a Shelter:**

If you are going to go to a shelter, decide early and go. It may not be possible to reach shelter once the disaster has begun.

### **Safety Concerns:**

Be sure everyone in your household knows where shutoff valves are located for propane tanks and main water lines, and can turn them off to prevent leaks. You can turn your water off at the backflow valve in the water line in your front yard. Be sure everyone knows where the circuit breakers are.

Outside furniture or loose items outside should be brought in, secured with rope to a pillar, or tossed in the pool, since flying objects will cause a great deal of personal and property damage.

Check your neighbors’ porches and yards for unsecured items if they are away; secure them and take care of the problem.

### **Water Supply:**

Keep 2 gallons of drinking water on hand per person per day for a minimum of a weeks supply.

Carry in “toilet flushing water” from the pool or lake to conserve potable water. Use swimming pool water for non-drinking purposes.

Fill your bathtubs ahead of time to use for drinking water. Plastic milk containers leak easily and are not very good for water storage.

Hot water tanks have drain valves at the bottom and can be used for drinking water. Remember to shut off the gas or electric when the tank is empty to prevent a fire.

Divert water from gutters into clean garbage cans. If you store water in large containers, treat the water with bleach (sodium hypo chlorite). 5.25% concentration at 2 tsp. per 10 gallons. Ideally bleach should not contain soap.

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Boiling water for ten minutes is the safest way to purify water. Pour it back and forth between containers to get a little oxygen back into it so it will taste better.

### **Communications:**

Plug your cell phone into the cigarette lighter in your car to charge it. Keep the connector in the glove compartment of your vehicle.

Procure a battery operated radio with a good supply of currently dated batteries.

### **Money Matters:**

Keep some cash around the house. You may not be able to get to a bank. ATM's will be unusable without power. Local retailers and service providers may not have access to credit card networks. Someone who clears a tree off your house, or puts a tarp over your roof may require cash.

### **Food:**

Use perishable food from the refrigerator, *first*. Use foods from the freezer, *second*. Limit the number of times you open the freezer door as frozen foods will usually still have ice crystals in their centers for at least three days, indicating they are safe to eat. Eat non-perishable foods, *last*.

Look up websites that sell staples in nitrogen-packed five or six gallon pails; they furnish charts to show suggested quantities for different periods of time. Items sold in the supermarket and grocery stores do not seal foods in nitrogen, therefore they do not store for long.

Utilize the following appliances in well ventilated areas ONLY:

- A Propane Tank and Grill
- A charcoal Grill
- Sterno Cans
- Candles
- Camp Stoves
- Solar Ovens
- Table Top Butane Cook Tops

### **Waste Disposal:**

Expect delays in garbage and recycle collection. Keep a good supply of heavy duty plastic bags and containers to store garbage. Storing garbage outside runs the risk of attracting unwanted pests and animals. Sprinkle garbage with bleach to minimize odors.

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If sewers stop functioning, you may need to dig a fairly deep hole in your yard to store waste. A thick layer of dirt everyday, and some lime will help to minimize odor and insects.

### **Cars:**

Keep your gas tanks full. If you always fill up at half a tank, it will be well worth the time saved at the pumps in the aftermath of a hurricane.

### **Medical Supplies:**

Any specialized medical device dependent on electric power is a serious situation beyond the scope of this document. Refer to the Sarasota County Hurricane Disaster Relief booklet for information.

Keep an inventory of prescription drugs critical to your health. Note dosage and how they are to be taken.

Prepare a hurricane kit for personal items such as; extra eye glasses, contact lenses and solutions, personal hygiene items, first aid kit, aspirin and pain relievers.

### **Other Supplies:**

Keep your camera loaded and have extra film. It is a good idea to photograph your belongings before damage, as well as, after damage may have occurred.

Pet Supplies: Food, Kitty Litter.

Paper plate, cups and plastic utensils. A box of matches and or a lighter. Heavy duty flashlights and lots of currently dated batteries.

Manual can opener, Aluminum Foil, Needle and Thread, Candles, Oil Lamps, Fire Extinguisher.

Toilet Paper, Plastic Buckets with lids, Plastic Garbage Bags, 5.25% Plain Bleach, Shovel or Spade, Lime.

Do it Yourself tools, Battery Operated smoke alarms and carbon dioxide monitors.

Soap, Laundry Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste.

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## **Section F**

### **During a Disaster:**

**Get into a safe covered space. Remain calm and help others as needed.**

### **After a Disaster:**

**Assess and handle any/all Medical emergencies. Assist anyone needing medical attention if only to get them medical attention.**

**Assess road conditions. Assist volunteers with clean-up. Clear roads to allow emergency vehicles access to all residences. Clear area around fire hydrants.**

**Assess gate and perimeter fence condition. Check with volunteers for requested assistance.**

**Check and report on neighbor's residences. Assist volunteers to check for significant damage.**

**Establish communications with appropriate outside agencies.**