Be #ReadyRoundtheClock

Preparedness in Harris County is not just for Hurricane Season. Avoid panic buying by stocking up on these items over the entire year. It is safer, more efficient and less expensive than waiting until disaster strikes.

FOOD
- [ ] 7 day supply of non-perishable food
- [ ] Hand-operated can opener
- [ ] Plastic plates, cups and utensils

WATER
- [ ] 1 gallon of drinking water per person per day enough for 7 days

FIRST AID
- [ ] American Red Cross approved first aid kit
- [ ] Backup prescriptions for essential medications

PERSONAL HYGIENE
- [ ] Hand sanitizer (minimum 60% alcohol)
- [ ] Dental care and vision products
- [ ] Travel-size soaps and other beauty supplies
- [ ] Change of clothes, pair of shoes and blanket per person

CLEAN AIR ITEMS
- [ ] Cloth face coverings (N-95 masks if available)
- [ ] Plastic sheeting
- [ ] Duct tape

BABY ITEMS
- [ ] Formula, bottles and powdered milk
- [ ] Diapers
- [ ] Baby wipes
- [ ] Diaper rash ointment

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
- [ ] Disinfectant wipes
- [ ] Toilet paper, paper towels and garbage bags
- [ ] Non-scented bleach for sanitization

LIGHTING
- [ ] Flashlights for each family member with extra batteries
- [ ] Fluorescent lanterns for each common area
- [ ] Waterproof matches or a utility lighter

COMMUNICATION
- [ ] Portable, battery-powered radio
- [ ] Landline phone with long cord
- [ ] Extra batteries for flashlights, lanterns and radio
- [ ] Extra cell phone battery or car charger
- [ ] Whistle

FAMILY SAFETY ITEMS
- [ ] Smoke detector with battery for each floor
- [ ] Carbon monoxide detector with battery backup
- [ ] Fire extinguisher
- [ ] Sunscreen
- [ ] Insect repellent
- [ ] Shovel and basic tools

TRANSPORTATION ITEMS
- [ ] State and regional road maps
- [ ] Basic repair items (tools, tire patch kit, engine oil)
- [ ] Games, books and puzzles

PET NEEDS
- [ ] 7 day supply of non-perishable pet food and water
- [ ] Cage or pet carrier and leash
- [ ] Pet medications and pet first aid kit
- [ ] Current photo in case you are separated
- [ ] Cat litter and box
- [ ] Pet bed and toys