SUMMER STORM SAFETY

HIDE FROM THE WIND, RUN FROM THE WATER.

HURRICANE EVACUATION SAVES LIVES
9 of 10 hurricane fatalities are caused by water (e.g., storm surges, flooding).
1 of 10 hurricane fatalities are caused by wind.

STORM SURGE = abnormal rise of the ocean above predicted tides, caused by a storm.

1 in 3 indirect hurricane fatalities are cardiovascular (heart) failures.
Hearts fail when people overexert themselves while preparing for or recovering from a storm.
Other indirect fatalities are related to car accidents, electrocution, and fires.

HURRICANES CAUSE INDIRECT FATALITIES, TOO

PREPARE WITH A HURRICANE KIT

- Medication & medical equipment
- First Aid supplies
- Cash
- Emergency portable air conditioning unit
- Quick Dam flood barriers
- Battery-powered radio
- Waterproof two-way radios (walkie talkies)
- Bottled water
- Flashlights
- Cell phone car charger

WHEN FACING A HURRICANE
- Care for the elderly, children and pets
- Don’t overexert yourself
- Don’t stay home alone
- Don’t run generators indoors
- Evacuate when you are told to leave
- Stay on high ground
- If driving, avoid flooded roads and standing water if your car floods, get out immediately
- Stay away from fallen power lines

TURN AROUND DON’T DROWN®
Flooding is the leading cause of severe weather-related deaths in the U.S., claiming an average of nearly 100 lives per year.
Deaths often occur when people walk or drive into flood waters.

A mere inches of fast-moving flood water can knock over an adult.

STAY SAFE THIS SUMMER STORM SEASON!