

After a major disaster, electricity, gas, water, and telephones may not be working. Transportation routes and businesses may be closed. City services will be impacted and will be handling serious incidents during the initial hours of the disaster. It also may take some time for public safety personnel to reach you.

Residents and businesses should prepare to **be self-sufficient for at least three days** after an emergency.

### Evacuation

- If you don't feel safe or an evacuation order is proclaimed, make plans to leave early and evacuate to a safer structure.
- If you are going to a public shelter, travel north, as Conroe is not a sheltering community.
- I-45 North is the evacuation route if needed.

### Emergency Contacts

Emergency: 911

Conroe Fire Department: 936-522-3080

Conroe Police Department: 936-522-3200

Conroe Emergency Management: 936-522-3080

Information Hotline: 936-522-3000

### Other Resources

FEMA: 940-898-5399 or [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

American Red Cross: 713-526-8300 or [www.RedCross.org](http://www.RedCross.org)

CodeRED Emergency Notification System: [www.mc911.org](http://www.mc911.org)

### Radio Information

Tune into any local radio or TV station for updates.



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# Hurricane Preparedness Guide



You can cope with a disaster by being prepared before the disaster strikes.

Your efforts now may save you and your family's life!



**CREATE A  
DISASTER  
PLAN!**

**PREPARE AN  
EMERGENCY  
SUPPLY KIT!**

Dear City of Conroe Residents,

As residents of Conroe, we experience weather situations such as hurricanes and possibly tornadoes from time to time. We have learned many lessons from the past. These lessons have shown us we must prepare for all the situations that may occur during the hurricane season. The most important things to remember are to keep your families safe and to follow instructions from our public safety professionals. This information is designed to assist you during those unexpected times. We hope you find this information helpful.

Sincerely,

Paul Virgadamo  
City Administrator  
City of Conroe

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## Create a Disaster Plan!

- ✓ Pick a meeting place for yourself, family, roommates, or friends in case you are separated during a disaster
- ✓ Choose an out-of-state contact as a “check-in contact”
- ✓ Discuss the types of disasters that could occur and how to be prepared
- ✓ Discuss what to do if advised to evacuate
- ✓ Practice what you have discussed
- ✓ Plan how the neighborhood could work together after a disaster
- ✓ Consider how you could help neighbors who have special needs, such as elderly or disabled persons
- ✓ Make plans for child care in case parents can't get home
- ✓ Post emergency telephone numbers by every phone

## Create an Emergency Kit!

Supplies can be stored in a plastic container or in a backpack.  
**Check your kit at least once a year for expired items.**

### Suggested Supplies:

- ✓ Food – at least for 3 days, preferably for 7-10 days; ready to eat canned food
- ✓ Water – at least for 3 days, preferably for 7-10 days; one gallon per person, per day
- ✓ Fill your car with gas
- ✓ First Aid Kit, sanitation supplies
- ✓ ABC type fire extinguisher
- ✓ Flashlight with extra batteries; and be very careful with candles and matches
- ✓ Portable radio with extra batteries or crank/solar powered
- ✓ Extra blankets, clothing, shoes
- ✓ Some cash
- ✓ Special items – medication, eyeglasses, important documents, etc...
- ✓ Tools, non-electric can opener, whistle
- ✓ Don't forget about storing items for your pets!

## During the Hurricane

- Shelter at home and bring everyone inside including your pets & stay tuned to your radio or TV.
- Follow the advice of local emergency officials & plan enough supplies to last at least three days.
- A licensed electrician should install a generator. Do not run a generator motor inside of an enclosed structure. Carbon Monoxide is a deadly gas.