

## SPECIAL NEEDS EVACUEES EVACUATION CHECK LIST

Listed below are actions you should take **BEFORE** evacuation transportation assistance arrives at your home. You and your caregiver **MUST** be ready when your evacuation transportation vehicle arrives, even if the sun is shining. The storm is on its way! Please remember you are one of many registered citizens who will need assistance. Your local County Emergency Management will call and give you the approximate time of your transportation pick-up. The type of transportation vehicles used are Transit buses, Handi buses or Ambulances which will transport to shelters or medical facility as determined by your application.

HERE ARE SOME THINGS <b><u>YOU SHOULD DO BEFORE</u></b> YOU ARE PICKED UP:	DONE
1. Keep a bag packed always ready to go with the following:	
• Medications for 2-3 weeks, list of medications, name of physician, walker, wheelchair, and other medical equipment	
• If oxygen dependent, bring all equipment. Emergency oxygen will be provided.	
• Clean clothes for 3 days	
• Extra eyeglasses	
• Personal hygiene items	
• House keys and car keys	
• Personal phone book or list of important numbers	
• Important papers, including identification, filed in a zip-lock bag	
• Folding chair, lawn chair or cot	
• Blankets and pillow	
• Reading material to pass time	
• Non-perishable special food items for 1-2 meals while shelter becomes fully operational to meet your dietary needs	
2. Take care of all medical needs such as dialysis when you hear a storm is approaching.	
3. Call caretaker and family members, including those out of state, to inform them of your plans to evacuate.	
4. If possible, just before you leave, turn off electricity, water & gas.	
5. Make plans for your pets to be taken care of by your veterinarian, family or friends. <b>You will not be able to take them with you to a shelter.</b> Make sure they have proper tags to identify them. Please have them evacuated before your transportation arrives. The emergency workers will not be able to assist you with your pets.	

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL YOUR LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.**

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