Be Prepared…
...For Hurricanes

- Purchase supplies before the storm. Keep plywood and other materials on hand.

- Keep ditches and culverts clear. Contact local authorities if there is a problem with drainage.

- Trim loose or dead branches near your house. Chop down trees that could fall on your house.

- Assemble an emergency kit (see “Be Prepared….Make an Emergency Kit”).

  - Secure outdoor furniture, potted plants, barbeque pits and other items that can be blown by the wind.

  - Tie down mobile homes, travel trailers and boats.

  - Plan to evacuate (see “Be Prepared….To Evacuate”).

- Perform maintenance on your home or business. Replace windows that are cracked or rusted and repair roof leaks.

- Check your insurance. Make sure that you have adequate coverage. Look into flood and windstorm insurance because many home policies do not cover this type of damage.

- Keep your car in good running condition. Don’t delay changing engine or transmission oil or flushing your radiator. Keep your tires inflated and in good condition, including your spare. Have a mechanic test your battery, steering, and brakes.

- If one exists, register in your community’s storm re-entry program.