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UPDATE: Hurricane Milton Emergency Resources And Declarations – As Of 6:00 PM

NAPLES, Fla. – This Wednesday, Hurricane Milton is projected to make landfall on the Gulf Coast of Florida as a major hurricane.

The office of Congressman Byron Donalds is closely monitoring Hurricane Milton and is actively coordinating storm preparations alongside federal, state, and local partners. The Congressman and his team stand ready to support our Southwest Florida community and ensure all necessary resources are available. Please see below for the latest emergency resources and declarations:

Southwest Florida Formal Evacuation Declarations:

- Collier County – [DEADLINE Oct. 8th at 6:00 AM](#)
 - [Collier County Evacuation Routes & Zones](#)
- Lee County – [DEADLINE Evening of Oct. 8th](#)
 - [Lee County Evacuation Routes & Zones](#)
- Fort Myers Beach – [DEADLINE Oct. 7th at 3:00 PM](#)
 - [Lee County Evacuation Routes & Zones](#)

Southwest Florida Shelters Open To Public:

- Collier County:
 - [To Be Announced Morning of October 8th](#)
- Lee County:
 - Dunbar High School – [3800 Edison Ave., Fort Myers, Florida, 33916](#)
 - Estero Recreation Center – [9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd, Estero, Florida, 33928](#)
 - Island Coast High School – [2125 DeNavarra Parkway Cape Coral, Florida, 33909](#)
 - Special Needs Shelter – [Pre-register here for Special Needs Shelter access.](#)

Emergency Hotlines:

- Emergency Medical Services – 911
- Collier County Emergency Hotline – [311 or \(239\) 252-8444](#)
- Collier County Emergency Management – [\(239\) 252-3600](#)
- Lee County Storm Hotline – [211](#)
- Lee County Emergency Management – [\(239\) 533-0622](#)
- Florida Price Gouging Hotline – [\(866\) 966-7226](#)
- Florida Division of Emergency Management – [\(850\) 815-4000](#)
- Office of Congressman Byron Donalds – [\(202\) 225-2536](#)

Local Government Operations:

- Collier County Government – [CLOSED starting on Oct. 8th at 12:00 PM](#)
- Unincorporated Collier County Solid Waste Collection – [CLOSED Oct. 9th](#)
- Lee County Government – [CLOSED starting on Oct. 7th at 12:00 PM](#)
- Lee County Solid Waste Collection – [SUSPENDED starting on Oct. 8th](#)
 - [Residents are asked not to place any additional waste to the curb.](#)
- LeeTran Operations – [Transportation is available to shelters. People can go to any LeeTran stop and advise the driver that they need to go to an open shelter. They will be taken to a transfer center and then to a shelter. LeeTran suspended fares at noon today.](#)
- Lee County Tolls – [Tolls on Lee County bridges, the Cape Coral Parkway, Midpoint Bridge, and the Sanibel Causeway have been suspended.](#)

School Closures:

- Collier County Public Schools – [CLOSED from Oct. 7th – Oct. 10th](#)
- School District of Lee County – [CLOSED from Oct. 7th – Oct. 10th](#)
- Florida Gulf Coast University – [REMOTE from Oct. 7th – Oct. 9th](#)
- Florida Southwestern State College – [REMOTE Oct. 7th / CLOSED Oct. 8-9](#)

Live Cameras:

- Fort Myers Live Cam – [View of Caloosahatchee River from Luminary Hotel](#)

Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW) Operations:

- Monday, Oct. 7th – [Contact Your Airline To Check Flight Status](#)
- Tuesday, Oct. 8th – [Contact Your Airline To Check Flight Status](#)
- Wednesday, Oct. 9th – [CLOSED](#)
- Thursday, Oct. 10th – [CLOSED](#)
- Friday, Oct. 11th – [TBD](#)

Weather Updates:

- [Hurricane Warning & Additional Updates Issued for Lee County](#)
- [Tropical Storm Warning & Additional Updates Issued for Collier County](#)
- [National Weather Service – Tampa Bay 5:00 PM Update](#)
- [National Hurricane Center 5:00 PM Update](#)
- [National Hurricane Center Live Updates](#)
- [WINK News Hurricane Milton Breakdown](#)
- [List of NOAA-Affiliated Social Media Accounts](#)

Other Emergency Resources:

- [Statewide List of Shelters Open to the Public](#)
- [Disaster Supply Kit Checklist](#)
- [Home Resiliency Checklist](#)
- [Collier County Sand and Empty Bag Stations Update](#)
- [FDOT Toll Suspensions](#)
- [Florida Public Radio Emergency Network](#)
- [Make a Plan for Your Pets](#)
- [Make a Plan for Your Livestock](#)
- [Statewide Public School Closure Information](#)
- [Statewide Evacuation Zone Information](#)
- [Generator Safety Information](#)
- [How to Find Fuel in Collier County](#)
- [How to Find Fuel in Lee County](#)
- [Register with FEMA](#)
- [Special Needs Registry Sign-Up](#)

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