



# Public Service Announcement

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## Mandatory Evacuation Called for ALL of Glynn County

GLYNN COUNTY, Ga.- The Glynn County Board of Commissioners has called for a **mandatory evacuation** for **ALL OF GLYNN COUNTY** effective at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, October 6, 2016, in anticipation of Hurricane Matthew. **Residents should evacuate immediately.**

Glynn County is under a Hurricane Warning. Conditions will begin to deteriorate rapidly Thursday afternoon into the evening. The current forecast calls for sustained winds of 50-60 miles per hour with gusts up to 90 miles per hour for a period of 24-28 hours for the Glynn County area. Seven to 10 inches of rain are forecasted in addition to life threatening storm surge levels of 6-9 feet with wave action of 20-25 feet on top of those levels. Widespread power outages are anticipated and could last into next week.

There is a strong probability that the Jekyll Island Causeway will be closed due to storm surge during these conditions. Closure of the FJ Torras Causeway is likely due to the inundation of water, as well. Potential closures of the causeways will take place when conditions make the roadway impassable. The Georgia Department of Transportation will close the Sidney Lanier Bridge when sustained winds reach between 40-45 miles per hours.

The following Red Cross shelters are currently open:

- Hephzibah Children's Home, 6601 Zebulon Rd., Macon, GA
- First Baptist Church, 400 Main St., Moultrie, GA
- Swainsboro Rec. Dept., 632 McLeod Bridge Rd., Swainsboro, GA
- Park Avenue Methodist Church, 100 E. Park Ave., Valdosta, GA
- Peach County Fire Station 6, 1770 U S Hwy. 341, Fort Valley, GA

- Trinity on the Hill United Methodist Church, 1330 Monte Sano Ave., Augusta, GA

Pet friendly shelters:

- Houston County \* Horses ONLY\* 60 Stalls  
Georgia National Fairgrounds  
401 Larry Walker Parkway  
Perry, GA 31069
- Sumter County  
Sumter County Humane Society  
108 Industrial Blvd  
Americus, GA 31719
- Tift County  
Tift County Extension Bldg  
1468 Carpenter Rd  
Tifton, GA 31794

Additional shelters will be listed at <http://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery/find-an-open-shelter>. There will be **no shelters in Glynn County**, other coastal counties, or counties immediately adjacent to coastal counties in accordance with guidelines provided by the Georgia Emergency Management & Homeland Security Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

If you are planning to evacuate to a shelter, you should bring any prescription medications, extra clothing, pillows, blankets, hygiene supplies, important documents and other comfort items. You should also include any special items for children such as diapers, formula and toys, and items needed by family members with unique needs.

A map of evacuation routes for Glynn County is attached. For more information on storm related concerns, please visit <https://glynncounty.org/773/19109/Severe-Weather-TS-Hurricane-Updates>. A link is also available in the Emergency Alert Banner on [www.glynncounty.org](http://www.glynncounty.org).

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