

Westminster Crier

WESTMINSTER COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Storm Update & Important Information

Lee County is closely monitoring Hurricane Ian. Below are links to weather, local information related to Emergency Operations which are partially activated as staff monitors, plans, and prepares based on the forecast.

Residents are encouraged to monitor local media outlets for updates (below links) which will be updated as new information becomes available; also, residents are encouraged to follow on

Facebook: Lee County Government Facebook and Lee County Emergency Management, Lee County Sheriff.

With a storm of this nature, things can change rapidly and without notice; be alert, be ready and be informed.

A few reminders just to prepare RIGHT NOW:

- (1) Fill your car with gas, right now.
- (2) Check prescriptions and have enough on hand to get through the storm and after it.
- (3) Check phone chargers, cords, etc. for electronics in case of power outages with charged power bars.
- (4) Stock up on non-perishable food, water with any other commodities you will need.
- (5) Prepare for a future water boil notice, during or after the storm. Have bottled drinking water on hand.
- (6) Check flashlights and candle supply, ensure to have matches or lighter. Batteries for flashlights/radios.
- (7) Propane for grill for outdoor cooking, post storm.
- (8) Items you may need for your generator.
- (9) For Pets, enough food, including current vaccination records needed to evacuate or go to a shelter.
- (10) Check on your neighbor(s) and offer to assist if you can.

Prepare your home:

- (1) Check your gutters/downspouts to ensure they are free flowing, to discharge water from

your foundation.

- (2) Shutters –better to have them and not need them, then need them and not have them.
- (3) Secure any items outside of your home and bring inside.
- (4) Lock your garage door from the inside to combat wind.
- (5) Trim palm fronds or tree branches near your house.
- (6) If your parcel is prone to water backup during storm events, get sandbags to block door openings.

Stay notified before, during and after the storm:

Download the app “Lee Prepares” – it has everything you need to know to prepare for a hurricane including evacuation routes and shelters, if necessary.

SANDBAGS are available at Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District.

Weather.Gov (NOAA): <https://www.weather.gov/> Wink

News: <https://www.winknews.com/weather/> Lee

County: <https://www.leegov.com/hurricane> Evacuation: Find My Evacuation Zone (arcgis.com)

Please stay safe and informed regarding the path of the storm! Check early and often, as this storm covers over a 400- mile radius and its severity can be unpredictable.

We recommend you continue to review your preparations early and often.

On behalf of the Westminster Community Association, Inc.