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13 Lake County Emergency Shelters to open Saturday

TAVARES – To accommodate local residents and an influx of travelers evacuating South Florida, Lake County is opening 13 emergency shelters at 8 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 9. Shelter guests are encouraged to bring their IDs for expedited check-in.

LAKE COUNTY SHELTERS

All nine Lake County general public and special needs shelters are pet friendly.

GENERAL PUBLIC SHELTERS (pet friendly)

- Mascotte Elementary, 460 Midway Ave., Mascotte
- Round Lake Elementary, 31333 Round Lake Road, Mount Dora
- Spring Creek Elementary, 44440 Spring Creek Road, Paisley
- Treadway Elementary, 10619 Treadway School Road, Leesburg
- Villages Elementary, 695 Rolling Acres Road, Lady Lake

GENERAL PUBLIC/ SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTERS (pet friendly)

- Astatula Elementary, 13925 Florida Ave., Astatula
- Leesburg Elementary, 2229 South St., Leesburg
- Lost Lake Elementary, 1901 Johns Lake Road, Clermont
- Umatilla Elementary, 401 Lake St., Umatilla

ADDITIONAL SHELTER LOCATIONS (not pet friendly; not special needs)

- Leesburg High School, 1401 Yellow Jacket Way, Leesburg
- East Ridge Middle School, 13201 Excalibur Road, Clermont
- Tavares High School, 603 N. New Hampshire Ave., Tavares
- Eustis High School, 1300 E. Washington Ave., Eustis

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SUPPLIES TO BRING TO SHELTERS

- One gallon of water per person and pet for three days
- Non-perishable food and snacks items for three days
- Foods that meet unusual dietary requirements
- Prescriptions and emergency medications
- Important personal documents
- Extra clothing, pillows, blankets, sleeping bags, hygiene supplies and other comfort items
- Supplies needed for children and infants, such as diapers, formula and toys
- Special items for family members who are elderly or disabled
- Chargers for any electronic devices you bring with you
- Books, games and other ways to entertain your family and yourself

PETS AT SHELTERS

- Pets must be brought to shelters in a carrier or crate that is marked with the owner's name, address and two phone numbers. Owners must have documentation of up-to-date rabies vaccinations for their pets. Owners are responsible for taking care of their pets. It is recommended pet owners bring all pet supplies, such as food and water, litter and litter box and leash.
- Pet friendly emergency shelters are open only to domestic pets only. No livestock will be admitted. For livestock, it is recommended to safely mark animals and leave them in pastures.

The Citizens Information Line is open from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. for those needing information and can be reached at 352-253-9999. To sign up for the latest emergency notifications, visit www.alertlake.com. For more information about Emergency Management, visit www.lakecountyfl.gov/emergency and follow Emergency Management at www.facebook.com/LakeCountyFLEmergencyManagement and www.twitter.com/lakeemergency.

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