



Planning Ahead

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PLANNING AHEAD RESOURCE HUB

# Household Hurricane Plan

If a tropical storm brought flooding and power outages to Durham this week, this plan tells your household which room is safest, what supplies you have, and who will check on you.

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| Household name: | Address: | Date completed: |
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## 1 Sign up for alerts

- ☐ Register for Alert Durham (dconc.gov, search "Alert Durham")
- ☐ Turn on emergency alerts on every phone

A **watch** means storm conditions are possible. A **warning** means they are expected: finish preparing.

## 2 Store water and food for 3 to 7 days

- ☐ Water (1 gallon per person per day)
- ☐ Food that does not need cooking, and a manual can opener

## 3 Refill medicines early

| Person | Medicine | Refill date | Pharmacy phone |
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## 4 Gather flashlights, batteries, and a radio

- ☐ Flashlights for each person
- ☐ Extra batteries
- ☐ Battery or hand-crank radio
- ☐ Phone chargers and a backup battery

## 5 Choose a safe room for high winds

Our safe room (a small, inside room on the lowest floor, away from windows): 

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## 6 Know where your home and roads flood

Low spots near our home: 

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Roads that flood on our routes: 

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Higher ground we can go to: 

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## 7 Plan for powered medical equipment

| Person | Equipment | Backup power or plan |
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## 8 Save your utility outage number

**Duke Energy outages:** 800-769-3766 or text OUT to 57801 · **Emergency:** 911 · **NC 211:** 2-1-1 or 1-888-892-1162

**9 Protect important papers and cash**

- ☐ IDs, insurance policies, leases or deeds, and medical information are in a waterproof bag
- ☐ Some cash in small bills, in case card readers are down

**10 Make a neighbor check-in list**

| Name | Phone | What they may need | Who checks on them |
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We practiced this plan on:

Next review:

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Planning Ahead is a Durham-based nonprofit helping communities across North Carolina prepare for climate emergencies. Want help building your plan? Attend a Planning Ahead workshop, or request a workshop for your community.

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