Develop an emergency plan for your family so that the adults and children know what to do.
Use the checklist to ensure that your Disaster Survival Kit is well prepared.

**DISASTER SURVIVAL KIT CHECKLIST**
- 1 gallon of commercially bottled water per person daily
- Canned, boxed or plastic bottled juice
- Canned foods: meat, fish, fruits, vegetables
- Dried food like bread, cookies, biscuits
- Baby food and formula *(if needed)*
- Disposable plates, cups, utensils and garbage bags
- Cooking tools and fuel
- Insurance papers, medical records and identification stored in a waterproof bag
- First Aid Kit with mosquito repellent
- Prescription Medicine *(min. a week’s supply)*
- Infant care supplies, diapers, etc.
- Special items for elderly or disabled family members
- Flashlights, extra batteries
- Battery operated radio and clock
- Manual can opener
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Water purification kit or bleach *(4 drops per qt)*
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape
- Toiletries and personal hygiene items including feminine supplies
- Toilet paper, moist towelettes and soap
- Fire extinguisher
- Tools including a wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Sturdy shoes, extra clothing, eyeglasses
- Pillows, blankets, sleeping bags
- Small amount of cash in small bills
- Pet care items, food, water, carrier, medications, muzzle and leash.

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BEFORE

★ Listen to your local radio or television for hurricane progress reports and official instructions.
★ Bring indoors all outdoor objects and anchor objects that cannot be brought inside including antennas and satellite dishes.
★ Check your Disaster Survival Kit, especially your water, medication and other emergency supplies.
★ Fill up your gas tank.
★ If you need to evacuate your home, lock it securely and go to the nearest shelter before the hurricane strikes. Do not go outside during a hurricane.
★ Take blankets, sleeping bags and other emergency supplies to the shelter.
★ Turn refrigerator and freezer to coldest settings. Open only when absolutely necessary and close quickly.
★ Secure information or tools you will require for your job after the storm.

DURING

★ Listen constantly to your local radio or television for hurricane progress reports and official instructions.
★ Stay inside away from windows, skylights, and glass doors.
★ Keep a supply of flashlights and extra batteries handy. Avoid open flames, such as candles and kerosene lamps, as a source of light.
★ Electricity and water are usually cut off during this period, to prevent damage when the power is turned on unplug all appliances.
★ Turn off our water, gas and electricity at the main switches or valves.

AFTER

★ Assist in search and rescue, and community response efforts.
★ Watch out for washed out roads, flooding, contaminated water, gas leaks, fire, broken glass and damaged electrical wiring.
★ Seek medical attention for Injured persons.
★ Clean up debris and effect temporary repairs.
★ Protect yourself from mosquitoes, flies and other pests that may increase in your area after the storm.
★ Do a damage assessment and co-operate with Damage Assessors.
★ Avoid Sightseeing.

A HURRICANE WATCH is issued when there is a threat of hurricane conditions within 24-48 hours.

A HURRICANE WARNING issued when hurricane conditions (winds of 74 miles per hour or greater or dangerously high water and rough seas) are expected in 36 hours or less.