



HURRICANE TRACKING GUIDE



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MEET OUR METEOROLOGISTS

HOUSTON'S LARGEST & MOST EXPERIENCED TEAM

TRAVIS HERZOG

CHIEF METEOROLOGIST

- Born in San Antonio, TX
- College: Texas A&M – WHOOP!
- Years of Experience: 22

I've wanted to be a meteorologist since Hurricane Gilbert sent a tornado by my childhood home in 1988.



DAVID TILLMAN

CHIEF FORECASTER

- Born in St. Louis, MO
- College: Jackson State University
- Years of Experience: 32

I've been storm chasing since the late 1980s. But winter weather forecasting is my favorite.



ELITA LORESCA

METEOROLOGIST

- Born in Manila, Philippines; raised in Los Angeles, CA
- College: California State University Fullerton & Mississippi State University
- Years of Experience: 25

I wanted to become a meteorologist after doing an internship with a Filipina meteorologist just like me.



RACHEL BRIERS

METEOROLOGIST

- Born in Plano, TX
- College: Texas A&M
- Years of Experience: 11

My great grandparents were farmers in West Texas so weather was something my dad grew up talking about regularly. My dad's fascination with the weather then got passed down to me.

ELYSE SMITH

METEOROLOGIST

- Born in Naperville, IL
- College: Valparaiso University
- Years of Experience: 8

I grew up next to a tornado siren! It was about 25 yards from my childhood home and swing set.



KEVIN ROTH

METEOROLOGIST

- Born in Clearwater, FL
- College: Florida State University & Mississippi State University
- Years of Experience: 15

I was born and raised on the Gulf Coast and have always been fascinated by ocean currents, sea-breeze thunderstorms, & hurricanes.

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18-24 INCHES OF FAST-MOVING WATER CAN CARRY AWAY MOST LARGE SUVs, VANS, & TRUCKS

SOURCE: NOAA



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HURRICANE SCALE

CATEGORY	MPH	DAMAGE SUMMARY	
1	74-95 MPH	Some Damage: Minor damage to homes & short-term power loss	
2	96-110 MPH	Extensive Damage: Major roof damage to buildings & near-total power loss	
3	111-129 MPH	Devastating Damage: Electricity & water unavailable for up to several weeks	
4	130-156 MPH	Catastrophic Damage: Severe damage to homes, with long-lasting power outages & road blockages	
5	≥157 MPH	Catastrophic Damage: High winds cause structural failure of homes & buildings	

TRACK THE STORM

2025 ATLANTIC HURRICANE NAMES

ANDREA	BARRY	CHANTAL	DEXTER	ERIN	FERNAND	GABRIELLE
HUMBERTO	IMELDA	JERRY	KAREN	LORENZO	MELISSA	NESTOR
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200 Miles

400 Miles

600 Miles

800 Miles

1000 Miles

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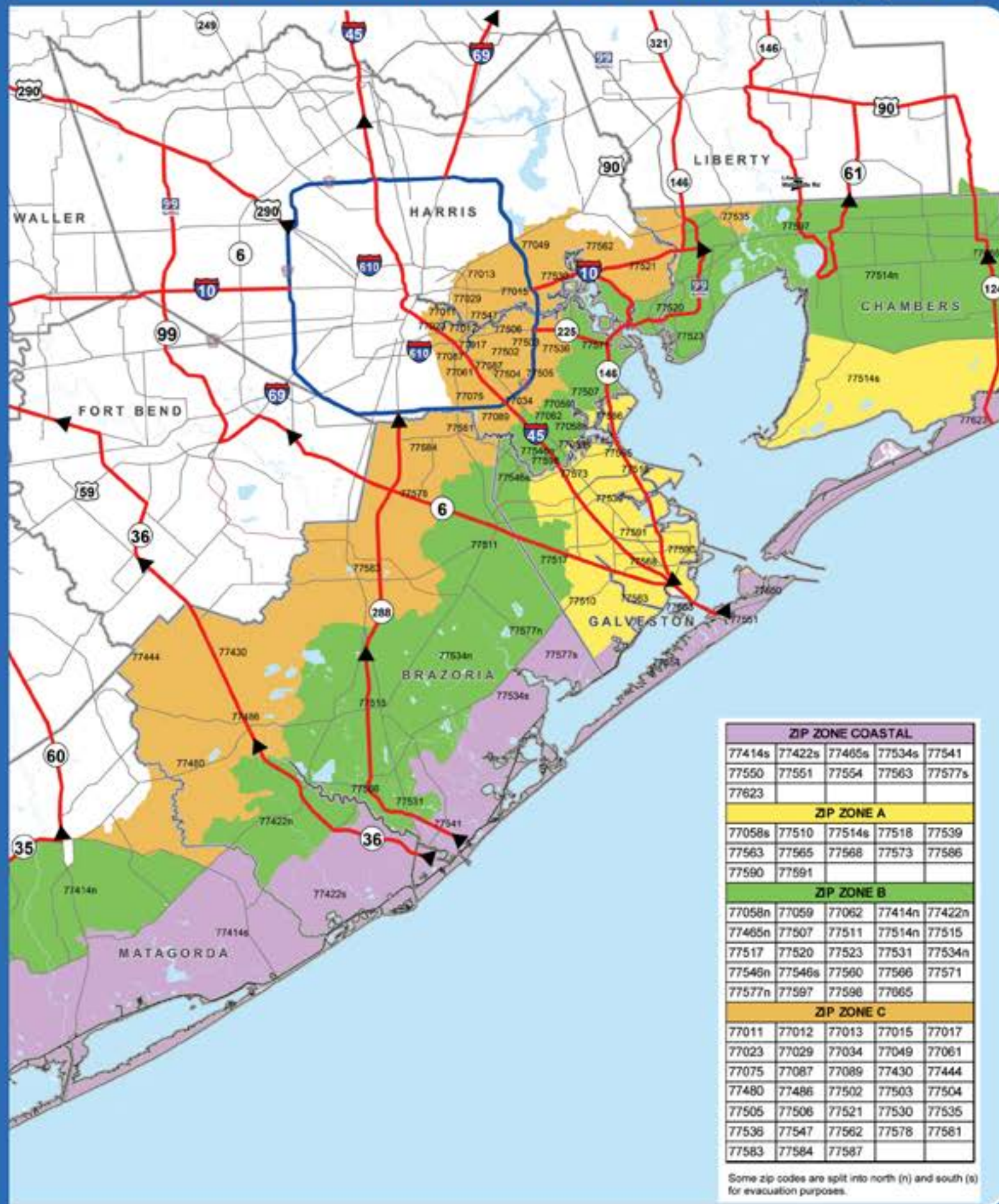
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BRAZORIA, CHAMBERS, GALVESTON, HARRIS AND MATAGORDA 4 HURRICANE EVACUATION ZIP-ZONES: COASTAL, A, B, & C



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HURRICANE CHECKLIST

BEFORE THE STORM

- Find out if you live in an evacuation zone on page 4
- Fill up car with gas
- Gather first aid supplies & prescription medications
- Fill your freezer with containers or bags of water, which will help if the power goes out
- Clear clogged gutters & drains
- Store valuables & papers in waterproof containers on the highest level of your home
- Take video or photos for a home inventory
- Check your insurance policies. Collect documents and recent pictures of children/elders in case they go missing
- Microchip pets
- Fill containers you already have with water

DURING THE STORM

- Stay inside away from windows, skylights, & glass
- Keep supply of flashlights & extra batteries handy
- Avoid open flames as a source of light
- If power is lost, turn off major appliances to reduce power "surge" when electricity is restored
- Listen to a battery-operated radio or TV for updates if your cellphone loses service
- Go to the highest level of the building if you are trapped by flooding. Do not climb into a closed attic because you may become trapped by rising flood waters
- Do not walk, swim, or drive through flood waters. Turn around. Don't drown!

AFTER THE STORM

- If you have evacuated, do not return home until officials announce your area is ready
- Know and follow all safety guidelines for generators
- Beware of outdoor hazards such as downed power lines, poisonous snakes, weakened bridges, washed out roads, weakened limbs on trees, and/or damaged overhanging structures
- Do not use the telephone unless absolutely necessary
- Do not drink or prepare food with tap water until you are certain it is not contaminated
- Take video or still pictures of damaged property and notify insurance
- Keep records of your clean up costs

PORTABLE VS STANDBY GENERATORS

STANDBY GENERATORS

- Permanently installed outside the home
- Runs on natural gas or propane
- Turns on automatically when the power shuts off, even if you're away from home
- Transfer switch monitors utility power and transfers the electrical load to the generator if power is lost
- Standby generators can power everything in your home, including lights, heating/cooling systems, appliances, sump pumps, security systems and more



PORTABLE GENERATORS



- Use properly rated extension cords (electrical load and length)
- Make sure the generator is properly vented to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning
- Don't place it in your home or an enclosed space like a garage
- Don't connect it directly to your home's electrical system. Electricity could flow backward into the power lines and endanger lives
- Plug appliances directly into the portable generator

SOURCE: ARK GENERATORS AND ELECTRICAL SERVICES

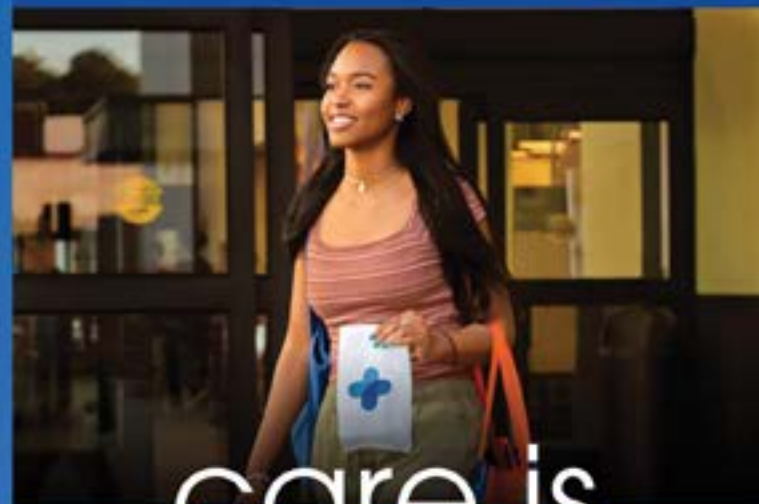
67 million pounds
of fresh food
donated in Texas.



WEBSITES AND PHONE NUMBERS

- ABC13's 24/7 Live Stream
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- Evacuation Information for Your Zip Code
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- National Hurricane Center
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- Harris Co. Flood Control District
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- Harris Co. Office of Emergency Management
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HURRICANE PREP CHECKLIST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Water - 2 quarts to 1 gallon per day per person | <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned foods: soup, tuna, etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Diapers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Powdered milk | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice chests |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned vegetables and fruits | <input type="checkbox"/> Batteries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Snacks (cookies, crackers, granola bars, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper plates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Snack spreads (peanut butter, jelly, cheese spread, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic cups, forks, knives, and spoons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cereal | <input type="checkbox"/> Insect repellent & candles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bread | <input type="checkbox"/> Charcoal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Duct tape | <input type="checkbox"/> Charcoal lighter fluid |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Sterno canned heat |
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