

## Levy County Emergency Management Disaster Supply Kit 8 Week Shopping Guide



Now that Hurricane Season is here, it is more important than ever to make sure that you have a fully stocked disaster supply kit. Sometimes, this can be easier said than done. We all know that we live in a time where money can be tight, and it may be a little hard to go out and buy everything you need for your disaster supply kit in one trip. This eight-week shopping guide identifies the basic items required to comfortably sustain you and your family for 3 to 5 days following a storm that may leave you without power and potable water.

Adding a few items to your regular shopping list each week is the easiest way to complete your Disaster Kit with minimal impact to your budget. Remember that these items listed are just examples; you need to use your own judgement as to what items you and your families may need during a disaster.

Take some small steps to keep you and your family safe and prepared. If you have any questions or would like to receive more information, please contact Levy County Emergency Management at 352-486-5213.

## **Food Groups for Shopping Guide**

**Bread Group Items** – crackers, dry bread sticks, pretzels, rice cakes, breakfast cereal, dry pasta, nutritional bars, etc.

**Meat Group Items** – Canned tuna, chicken/turkey, or meat, soup with beans or meat, sardines, chili with meat or beans, ravioli/spaghetti, ham/pork, stew, Vienna Sausage, peanut butter, commercially prepared beef or turkey jerky.

**Milk Group Items** – Powdered milk (will need extra water), canned and boxed pudding (from the store shelves not the refrigerator section, nutritional drinks (e.g. Ensure or Pediasure).

**Vegetable Group Items** – Canned vegetables, soups of all types, canned 3 bean salads.

Fruit Group Items – Canned fruit of all types, dried fruits (raisins, dates, apricots, etc.), and 100% fruit juice

**Comfort Foods** – Quick energy snacks such as trail mix, granola and fruit bars, cookies, hard candy, lollipops, instant coffee, tea bags.

Turn Over, Supply List on Back

| Week 1                                    | Week 2                                     | Week 3   |
|---|--|--|
| <b>Grocery Store</b>                      | <b>Grocery Store</b>                       | Grocery Store  |
| One Gallon of Water*                      | One vegetable group item*                  | One Gallon of Water*   |
| One large jar of Peanut Butter*           | One fruit group item*                      | One Jar Jelly or jam*  |
| One meat group item*                      | One comfort food item*                     | One meat group item*   |
| One can ready to eat soup*                | One bottle unscented bleach                | One can ready to eat soup*   |
| One Box matches                           | One medicine dropper                       | One fruit group item*  |
| One vegetable group item*                 | One package of Paper cups                  | One hand operated can opener   |
| One package paper plates                  | One meat group item*                       | One package paper napkins  |
| Other Supplies                            | Other Supplies                             | Other Supplies   |
| Flashlight with batteries                 | Small Camp Style Stove with fuel           | A portable am/fm radio – battery operated or hand crank                |
| One tarp(don't get fancy, just the basic) | Safety glasses or goggles                  | Roll of Duct Tape  |
| One Utility Knife                         |  |  |
| Week 4                                    | Week 5                                     | Week 6   |
| <b>Grocery Store</b>                      | <b>Grocery Store</b>                       | Grocery Store  |
| One bread group item*                     | One meat group item*                       | One meat group item*   |
| One package of paper towels               | One can of ready to eat soup*              | One bread group item*  |
| One vegetable group item*                 | One fruit group item*                      | One box sanitary wipes*  |
| One roll of plastic wrap                  | One box large Ziploc storage bags          | One Roll Heavy Aluminum foil   |
| One meat group item*                      | One vegetable group item*                  | One package paper bowls  |
| One milk group item*                      | One bread group item*                      | One meat group item*   |
| One bottle hand sanitizer*                | One Gallon of Water*                       |  |
| Other Supplies                            | Other Supplies                             | Other Supplies   |
| Additional flashlight with batteries      | Extra Batteries for radio                  | Battery Powered Lamp with spare batteries                              |
| Heavy duty work gloves                    | ABC Fire extinguisher                      |  |
| First Aid Kit                             | -  |  |
| Week 7                                    | Week 8                                     |  |
| Grocery Store                             | <b>Grocery Store</b>                       |  |
| One meat group item*                      | One gallon of water*                       | Note: In a disaster, there is enough stress without your family having |
| One can ready to eat soup*                | One vegetable group item*                  | to eat foods they don't like. Pick foods based on your family's needs  |
| One box Cereal                            | One meat group item*                       | and wants. Whenever possible pick foods that are low in salt, and      |
| One milk group item*                      | One package plastic eating utensils        | packed in water.   |
| One comfort group item*                   | One package of paper towels                | Be sure to rotate your supplies every 6 months to a year.              |
| One vegetable group item*                 |  | Items marked with a * should be purchased for each member of your      |
|   | Other Supplies                             | household.   |
| Other Supplies                            | Waterproof portable plastic container with |  |
| Extra batteries for flashlights           | lid for hurricane kit and important papers |  |