



## Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney's Hurricane Preparedness Guide

The beginning of June marks the start of another active hurricane season in our region, which will last through the month of November. The last few years we have seen the disastrous effects of superstorms and natural disasters like Irene, Lee, and Sandy – flooding our shores, downing power lines, and severely damaging our homes and businesses.

We must take precautions early, and determine a recovery plan as to minimize damage done during these severe storms. Compiling local, state, and federal resources, I have put together an extensive guide to help you, your family, and your neighbors prepare for this hurricane season.

While these storms may be short-lived, often the damage is substantial and long-lasting. I want to continue to be your partner to ensure our communities rebuild stronger, safer and more resilient to future disasters. The first action I took in Congress was to help pass long-overdue Sandy disaster aid to help small businesses, families and communities hit hardest by these storms. I believe the safety and livelihood of Hudson Valley businesses and families should not be a partisan issue, and I have continued to fight to make sure my neighbors impacted by these disasters continue to receive the assistance they need.

If you have any questions, or need further information, I want to hear from you - please contact my office at (845) 561-1259.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sean Patrick Maloney".

Sean Patrick Maloney  
Member of Congress

# Be Prepared

- ◆ Create an **emergency supply kit**.
- ◆ Assess your risks and know your home's vulnerability to storm surge, flooding and wind
- ◆ Create and discuss an **evacuation plan** with your family. Include routes to local shelters, and plans for pets and family members with special medical needs.
- ◆ Fill up your car's **gas** tank.
- ◆ Review any insurance policies.
- ◆ Take detailed photos of home property and contents and store in a safe place
- ◆ Store all **important documents** in a waterproof container and in a secure location
- ◆ Fill the bathtub and other large containers with **water** for sanitary purposes
- ◆ Check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to ensure they are functioning properly
- ◆ Maintain portable battery operated AM radio

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NY-ALERT, please subscribe  
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Check your hazards risks with  
FEMA's Map Portal: [https://  
hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/  
wps/portal](https://hazards.fema.gov/femaportal/wps/portal)

Rate your flood risk with the  
FloodSmart.gov Portal:  
[http://www.floodsmart.gov/  
floodsmart/](http://www.floodsmart.gov/floodsmart/)

Check local listings for news  
stations, and local radio  
stations

## During a Hurricane

- ◆ Listen to the radio for critical information from the National Weather Service, or sign up for NY-ALERT.
- ◆ Check emergency supply kit.
- ◆ Bring inside anything that could be picked up by the wind.
- ◆ Close all windows and doors. Close and board up all windows and doors with plywood, if you do not have hurricane shutters.
- ◆ Turn your refrigerator and freezer to the coldest setting and keep closed as much as possible, in case of power outages.
- ◆ Turn off propane tank.
- ◆ Unplug small appliances.
- ◆ Listen to and follow evacuation orders, or any other emergency notifications.

# Emergency Checklist

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert, and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First Aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Can opener for food
- Warm bedding and clothing, if temperature requires
- Rain gear
- Cash, travelers checks, or change
- Paper towels
- Fire extinguisher
- Matches
- Disinfectant, bleach and mosquito repellent
- Cell phone with chargers, inverter or solar charger
- Important documents
- Insurance policies
- Personal identification

**Business Owners and site locations should create Workplace Emergency Plans. Find out more at <http://www.ready.gov/>**

## After the Storm

### **FEMA Disaster Assistance**

1-800-621-FEMA (1-800-621-3362)  
<http://www.disasterassistance.gov/>

### **National Flood Insurance Program**

1-888-379-9531  
<http://www.floodsmart.gov/floodsmart/>

### **American Red Cross**

1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)  
<http://www.redcross.org/>

Visit my website Disaster Assistance Resource page for more information at <http://seanmaloney.house.gov/disaster-assistance>.

Residents of the 18th Congressional District of New York can contact me for assistance in dealing with federal agencies especially in the aftermath of a natural disaster, so if you need any additional information, please call my Newburgh office at 845-561-1259 or fill out this [form](#).

# Emergency Contact Information

**American Red Cross**

1 (800) RED-CROSS  
<http://www.redcross.org/>

**Red Cross Mid-Hudson Valley Chapter**

(518) 458-8111  
<http://www.redcross.org/ny/albany/about-us/mid-hudson-valley-chapter>

**NYS Regional Emergency Services**

(845) 454-0430  
<http://www.dhSES.ny.gov/oem/>

**Orange County Emergency Management**

(845) 291-4000  
<http://www.orangecountygov.com>

**Putnam County Emergency Management**

(845) 808-4000  
<http://www.putnamcountyny.com/pcbcs/>

**Dutchess County Emergency Management**

(845) 486-2080  
<http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/>

**Westchester County Emergency Management**

(914) 231-1900  
<http://emergencyservices.westchestergov.com/>

**Con Edison**

1 (800) 752-6633  
<http://www.coned.com>

**Orange & Rockland Utilities**

*Gas Emergency Hotline:* 1 (800) 533-5325  
*Power Hotline:* 1 (877) 434-4100  
<http://www.oru.com>

**Hudson Valley Humane Society**

(845) 354-3124  
<http://www.hvhumane.org>

**Hudson Valley SPCA**

(845) 564-6810  
<http://www.hudsonvalleyspca.com/>

**Humane Society of Middletown**

(845) 361-1861  
<http://www.middletownhumanesociety.com/>

**Dutchess County SPCA**

(845) 454-5345  
<http://www.dcsPCA.org/>

**Goshen Humane Society**

(845) 294-3984  
<http://www.goshenhumanesociety.org/>

**Putnam County Humane Society**

(845) 225-7777  
<http://www.puthumane.org/>

**Warwick Valley Humane Society**

(845) 987-7336  
<http://wvhumane.org/animalshelter/>

**Walden Humane Society**

1-845-778-5115  
<http://waldenhumane.org/>

**Additionally, please check your local news and radio station channels and listings, and understand National Weather Service forecasts, especially the meaning of NWS watches and warnings.**

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, my advocates are standing by, please contact my office at (845) 561-1259, or visit my website at [seanmaloney.house.gov](http://seanmaloney.house.gov)