## **City of Wharton**

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## **City of Wharton Hurricane Preparations**

Wharton, TX, July 11, 2019- The City of Wharton would like to remind residents that we are currently in the middle of Hurricane Season and with the possibility of Tropical Storms or Hurricanes forming in the Gulf of Mexico, now is the time to prepare. It is important to be prepared for possible weather situations and how they will affect your home and family. The National Weather Service recommends some of the following ideas to keep you and your family safe:

- Put together an Emergency Kit and check all emergency equipment, such as flashlights, generators and storm shutters.
- Write or review your Family Emergency Plan: Before an emergency happens, sit down with your family or close friends and decide how you will get in contact with each other, where you will go, and what you will do in an emergency.
- Review Your Insurance Policies: Make sure your insurance policies have adequate coverage for your home and personal property.
- Make a plan for your pets now. Make sure they are wearing a collar and have up to date tags. If you have to evacuate, take your pets with you. Remember if it's not safe for you, it's not safe for your pet.
- Stay informed by tuning into your local TV or radio stations and/or purchase a weather radio.
- Sign up today for the emergency alert system to keep you better informed of emergency situations, city related issues and notifications. The signup for the system can be found on the City of Wharton website at <a href="www.cityofwharton.com">www.cityofwharton.com</a> by clicking the Sign Up For Smart911 button. If assistance is needed in signing up please come to Wharton City Hall located at 120 E. Caney St. and the city staff will be happy to assist you.

The City of Wharton remains committed to and focused on giving citizens the capability to have early warnings during emergency situations and will continue to monitor current weather situations. Please stay informed by tuning into local radio or local television stations.