

# 2010 Polk County PUBLIC SHELTERS



## SHELTER LOCATIONS

### AUBURDALE

1. Stambaugh Middle School

### BARTOW

- ♥ 2. PCHD Specialty Care Units
- 3. Bartow Senior High School
- 4. Stephens Elementary School
- 5. Spessard L. Holland Elementary

### DAVENPORT

6. Horizons Elementary School
7. Loughman Oaks Elementary School
8. Ridge Community High School
9. Ridgeview Global Studies Academy

### EAGLE LAKE

- 10. Lake Region High School
- 11. Pinewood Elementary School

### HAINES CITY

- 12. Alta Vista Elementary School
- ♥ 13. Haines City Adult Daycare Center
- 14. Haines City High School
- 15. Sandhill Elementary School

### LAKELAND

16. Combee Elementary School
17. George Jenkins High School (Freshman Academy)
18. Highlands Grove Elementary School
19. Kathleen Elementary School
20. Lake Gibson High School

- ♥ 21. Lakeland Adult Daycare Center
- 22. Lakeland Highlands Middle School
- 23. Philip O'Brien Elementary School (formerly Lime Street Elementary)
- 24. Lincoln Avenue Academy
- 25. McKeel Academy
- 26. Dr. N.E. Roberts Elementary School
- 27. Rochelle School of The Arts
- 28. Scott Lake Elementary School
- 29. Sleepy Hill Elementary School
- 30. Southwest Elementary School
- 31. Tenoroc Senior High School
- 32. R. Bruce Wagner Elementary School

### LAKE ALFRED

33. Karen M. Siegel Academy

### LAKE WALES

34. Spook Hill Elementary School

### MULBERRY

35. Purcell Elementary School

### POINCIANA

36. Lake Marion Creek School
37. Laurel Elementary School
38. Palmetto Elementary

### WINTER HAVEN

39. Chain of Lakes Elementary School
40. Jewett School of the Arts
41. Winter Haven High School

On map: ■ - Primary Shelter   ■ - Pet-Friendly Shelter   ♥ - Special Needs Shelter  
See reverse side for directions to individual shelters.

**DO NOT PROCEED TO ANY SHELTER UNTIL YOU HAVE CONFIRMED THAT IT IS OPEN AND OPERATING.**

**CITIZENS INFORMATION LINE (CIL) (863) 534-0321**  
**Toll Free: 1 (866) 661-0228**  
**www.polk-county.net**

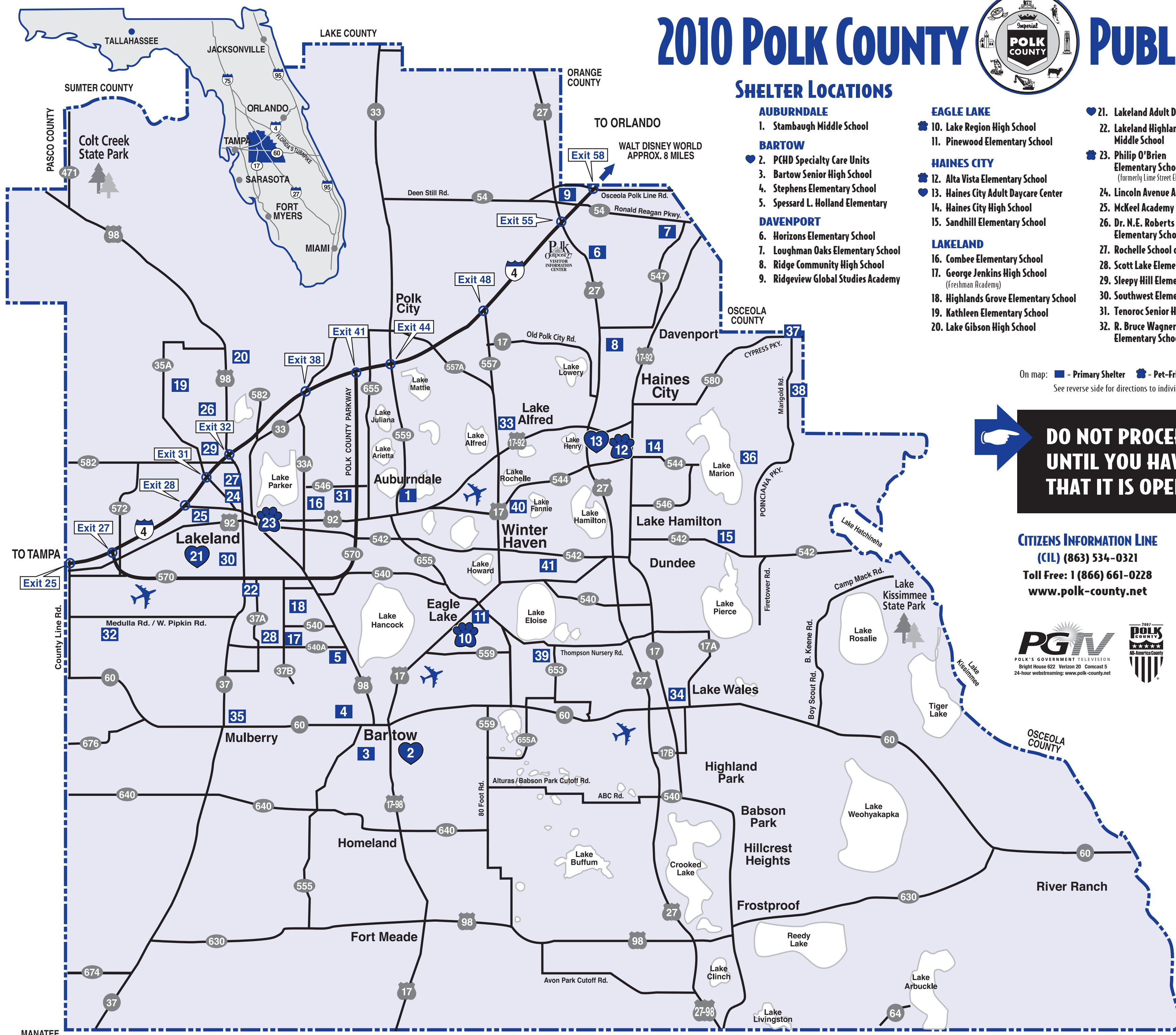


## PUBLIC SHELTER POLICIES

1. All shelters are **not** automatically activated for each possible emergency. Shelters are opened as they are needed. They are not preassigned by geographic area.
2. For shelter information, monitor local radio and television.
3. Have a 3-day survival kit ready to take with you.
4. **NO PETS** (except at designated pet-friendly sites), **NO WEAPONS** and **NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES** are allowed in Public Shelters.
5. For information about pet-friendly shelters, call the Emergency Management office at (863) 534-5600 or [www.polk-county.net](http://www.polk-county.net)
6. For further information, please consult the reverse side of this brochure.



For accommodations, contact  
**1-800-828-7655** or **863-420-2586**  
**www.VisitCentralFlorida.org**





# DIRECTIONS TO POLK COUNTY PUBLIC SHELTERS

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## AUBURNDALE

- 1 Stambaugh Middle School**  
226 N. Main St., Auburndale  
Take Hwy. 92 to Auburndale. Turn north on Main St. (SR 559) through town, and the school will be on the right. From Interstate 4, follow SR 559 south into Auburndale. The school is on the left.

## BARTOW

- 2 PCHD Specialty Care Units**  
1255 Brice Blvd., Bartow  
From US 17, turn east on Georgia St.; clinic on the northeast corner of Georgia St. and Golfview Ave. (Parking and entrance on east side of building.)
- 3 Bartow Senior High School**  
1270 S. Broadway Ave., Bartow  
At the intersection of US 98 and SR 60, turn south on Broadway; school is on the left (approximately 1 1/2 miles) on the corner of S. Broadway Ave. and E. Sharp St.
- 4 Stephens Elementary School**  
1350 N. Maple Ave., Bartow  
From US 98, turn west on Lyle Pkwy. for approximately 2 miles; turn south on Maple Ave.; school is on the left.
- 5 Spessard L. Holland Elementary School**  
2342 E.F. Griffin Rd., Bartow  
Take US 98 from Bartow, turn left on Smith Lane. Traveling from the north take US 98 to Smith Lane and turn right.

## DAVENPORT

- 6 Horizons Elementary School**  
1700 Forest Lake Dr., Davenport  
From US Hwy. 27, turn east on Forest Lake Dr.; school is approximately 1/2 mile on the left.

- Special Needs Shelter. 
 - Pet-Friendly Shelter. 
 - Primary Shelter. 
 (Valid through 5/31/11)

- 7 Loughman Oaks Elementary School**  
4600 US Hwy. 17-92 N., Davenport  
Located 1 mile south of CR 54, 3 miles north of Davenport.

- 8 Ridge Community High School**  
500 W. Orchid Dr., Davenport  
From Hwy. 27, turn east on Patterson Rd. to Orchid Dr.

- 9 Ridgeview Global Studies Academy**  
1000 Dunson Rd., Davenport  
North on Hwy. 27 from I-4, go 3/4 mile north to Dunson Rd. Turn east, go 1/2 mile; school is on the left.

## EAGLE LAKE

- 10 Lake Region High School**  
1995 Thunder Rd., Eagle Lake  
From US 17, turn east on Gilbert St. to Thunder Rd. (North of City of Eagle Lake.)

- 11 Pinewood Elementary School**  
1400 Gilbert St., Eagle Lake  
From US 17 (just south of CR 540), turn east on Gilbert St. and continue to end of the road; school is on the left.

## HAINES CITY

- 12 Alta Vista Elementary School**  
801 Scenic Hwy., Haines City  
From US 27, turn east on SR 544 (approximately 1 1/2 miles); school is on the left.

- 13 Haines Adult Daycare Center**  
751 Scenic Hwy., Haines City  
From US 27, turn east on Scenic Hwy./SR 544, continue for 1 1/4 mile; center is on the left.

- 14 Haines City High School**  
2800 Hornet Dr., Haines City  
From US 27, turn east on SR 544 to 30th St. Turn north to Hornet Dr.; school is on the left.

- 15 Sandhill Elementary School**  
1801 Tyner Rd., Haines City  
From Dundee, turn north on SR 17 about 1.3 miles to Hatchineha Rd.; turn east, go about 3 1/2 miles; school is on corner of Tyner Rd. and Hatchineha Rd.

## LAKELAND

- 16 Combee Elementary School**  
2805 Morgan Combee Rd., Lakeland  
From US 92, turn north on Combee Rd. N./CR 659; turn east onto Morgan Combee Rd.; school is on the right.

- 17 George Jenkins High School**  
Freshman Academy  
6000 Lakeland Highlands Rd., Lakeland  
Take 540A to 37B (Lakeland Highlands Rd.) and turn north. At first traffic light turn right at entrance to school.

- 18 Highlands Grove Elementary School**  
4510 Lakeland Highlands Rd., Lakeland  
From Clubhouse Rd./Hwy. 540, turn north onto Lakeland Highlands Rd./Hwy. 37B (south of Polk Pkwy.); school is on the right.

- 19 Kathleen Elementary School**  
3515 Sheretz Rd., Lakeland  
From US 98 N., turn east onto Hwy. 35A/Kathleen Rd.; turn right onto Sheretz Rd. (south of Duff Rd.); school will be past Tiger Way, on the left.

- 20 Lake Gibson High School**  
7007 N. Socrum Loop Rd., Lakeland  
From US 98, turn east on Marcum Rd.; turn north on N. Socrum Loop Rd.; school is 1/4 mile on right.

- 21 Lakeland Adult Daycare Center**  
1200 Southern Ave., Lakeland  
From SR 37, turn west onto Ariana Blvd.; continue approximately 3 miles; turn right on Southern Ave.; the center is one block down on the right.

- 22 Lakeland Highlands Middle School**  
740 Lake Miriam Dr., Lakeland  
From SR 37, turn east on Lake Miriam Dr.; school is 1/2 mile on the left.

- 23 Philip O'Brien Elementary School**  
(formerly Lime Street Elementary)  
1225 E. Lime St., Lakeland  
From US 98, turn north on Lake Parker Ave., then east on Lime St.; school is on the right.

- 24 Lincoln Avenue Academy**  
1330 N. Lincoln Ave., Lakeland  
From US 92, turn north onto Lincoln Ave. N.; school is on the left, past 7th St. W.

- 25 McKeel Academy**  
1810 W. Parker St., Lakeland  
From US 92, turn south on Brunell Pkwy.; turn west on W. Parker St.; school is 1/4 mile on the right.

- 26 Dr. N.E. Roberts Elementary School**  
6600 Green Rd., Lakeland  
From US 98 N., turn west on Daugherty Rd.; turn north on Green Rd.; continue northward approximately 1 mile.

- 27 Rochelle School of the Arts**  
1501 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., Lakeland  
From US 92, turn north on Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.; school is 1/2 mile on the right.

- 28 Scott Lake Elementary School**  
1140 E. CR 540A, Lakeland  
From US 98, turn west on CR 540A; school is approximately 5 miles on the right.

- 29 Sleepy Hill Elementary School**  
2285 Sleepy Hill Rd., Lakeland  
From US 98 N., turn west onto Sleepy Hill Rd.; school is on the right.

- 30 Southwest Elementary School**  
2650 Southwest Ave., Lakeland  
From SR 37, turn west on Pablo St.; turn north on Southwest Ave.; school is on the left.

- 31 Tenoroc Senior High School**  
4905 Saddle Creek Road, Lakeland  
From US 98 N, travel east on the Polk Pkwy. Continue for 8 miles and exit onto Old Dixie Hwy. Turn west onto Old Dixie Hwy. (CR 546) for approximately 2 miles; school is on the left.

- 32 R. Bruce Wagner Elementary School**  
5500 Yates Rd., Lakeland  
From SR 37, turn west on W. Lake Miriam Dr. (becomes W. Pipkin Rd.). Go approximately 3 miles to Yates Rd. Turn south on Yates Rd.; school is approximately 1/2 mile on the left.

## LAKE ALFRED

- 33 Karen M. Siegel Academy**  
935 N. Buena Vista Dr., Lake Alfred  
From US 17, turn west on CR 557/Haines Blvd.; turn right at N. Buena Vista Dr. (also CR 557); school is approximately 1 mile on the right.

## LAKE WALES

- 34 Spook Hill Elementary School**  
321 Dr. J.A. Wiltshire Ave. E., Lake Wales  
From US 27, turn east on Central Ave.; travel about 3/4 mile to CR 17 (old Alt. 27/Scenic Hwy.) and turn north; travel about 3/4 mile; turn east on Dr. J.A. Wiltshire Ave. (E. North Ave.); school is on the left.

## MULBERRY

- 35 Purcell Elementary School**  
305 NE First Ave., Mulberry  
From SR 60, turn north on SR 37 for 2 blocks; turn east on NE Second St. for one block.

## POINCIANA

- 36 Lake Marion Creek School**  
3055 Lake Marion Creek Rd., Poinciana  
From Poinciana Pkwy., turn north onto Lake Marion Creek Dr.; school is on the east side of the road.

- 37 Laurel Elementary School**  
1851 Laurel Ave., Poinciana  
From CR 580/Cypress Pkwy., turn north onto Laurel Ave.; school is on the east side of the road.

- 38 Palmetto Elementary School**  
315 Palmetto St., Poinciana  
From Poinciana Pkwy., turn north onto Marigold Ave. Turn east on Palmetto St.; school is on the north side of the road.

## WINTER HAVEN

- 39 Chain of Lakes Elementary**  
7001 CR 653, Winter Haven  
From Hwy. 27, turn west on Thompson Nursery Rd.; school is 2 miles on the left.

- 40 Jewett School of the Arts**  
2250 8th St. NE, Winter Haven  
From US 17 or from Hwy. 544 / 1st St., turn east onto Ave. T NE then turn north onto 8th St. NE; school is at the end of the road.

- 41 Winter Haven High School**  
600 6th St. S.E., Winter Haven  
From Hwy. 17 take Cypress Gardens Blvd. to 6th St. S.E. and turn north. The school is between Ave. K S.E. and Ave. G S.E.

- Special Needs Shelter. 
 - Pet-Friendly Shelter. 
 - Primary Shelter. 
 (Valid through 5/31/11)

## POLK COUNTY EVACUATION POLICY

It is the policy of the Polk County Emergency Management Division to recommend in-place shelter as the primary option during a disaster. For those unable to remain in place, especially those in mobile homes, the remaining choices should be considered in order of preference. Whichever of the following options is selected, it is advised that a 3-day survival kit be assembled and ready (see right), a course of action be planned and that the plans be executed as soon as practical before the disaster hits. The recommended options are:

- 1. In-place Shelter** – plan to remain in residence during the emergency, if possible.
- 2. Evacuate to Friend's or Relative's Residence** – if forced to evacuate, it is less traumatic for all concerned to be sheltered with familiar people, in more comfortable surroundings.
- 3. Evacuate the Area** – other people leaving the area or areas in the projected path of the storm will also be on the road; leave at least 2-3 days before the storm is expected to strike.
- 4. Evacuate to a Hotel/Motel** – make arrangements early as rooms will fill quickly with other evacuees.
- 5. Evacuate to a Public Shelter** – please consult the Public Shelter policy on the front of this sheet.

## SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAM

The Polk County Special Needs Program is designed to provide sheltering at Special Needs Shelters for residents with medical or physical conditions and/or dependent on medical electrical equipment who require assistance during an emergency. The Special Needs Shelters are **Lakeland Adult Daycare Center (21), Haines City Adult Daycare Center (13) and Polk County Health Dept. Bartow Specialty Care Unit (2).**

The program also provides transportation to public shelters and pet friendly shelters for those unable to evacuate on their own. Pre-registration in the program, for medical needs or for transportation only, is preferred by contacting Emergency Management **(863) 534-5600.**

## 3-DAY SURVIVAL KIT

You should plan to be self-sufficient for at least three days during and after a disaster. You should anticipate no water, electrical power or utilities for that period of time. To ensure the comfort of your family, whether at home or evacuated to another location, it is suggested that the following items, at a minimum, be assembled and readily available:

- Food (canned goods and nonperishable foods)
- Prescription medicines and first aid kit
- Infant care items
- Infant/Adult Diapers
- Drinking water in nonbreakable containers (1 gallon per person per day)
- Special dietary food, if required
- Identification, valuable papers, policies & photographs in a waterproof container
- Books, magazines, cards, toys, games
- Personal hygiene items
- Carrying container for items
- Utensils, including manual can opener, disposable tableware
- Sleeping bag, blanket, sheets & pillow
- Extra personal aids, such as eyeglasses, hearing aids, etc.
- Portable chairs
- Change of clothes
- Battery operated items (radio, flashlight, etc.) with extra batteries
- Credit cards, cash & extra set of car keys
- Rainwear

- Make arrangements for the boarding of your pets, if possible. (Pets are **NOT** allowed in any public shelters, except in the three pet-friendly shelters, where space is limited.)

## PET-FRIENDLY SHELTERS

Pet-friendly shelters have been established at **Philip O'Brien Elementary School (23)**, Lakeland (formerly Lime Street Elementary); **Lake Region High School (10)**, Eagle Lake; and **Alta Vista Elementary School (12)**, Haines City. Due to space limitations, the sites will be strictly for pet-friendly groups and will be limited to providing shelter only for dogs, cats, birds, and their owners. As in any other sheltering situation, residents are advised to consult the local media or Citizens Information Line to ensure a specific shelter is open and operating before proceeding to that facility. Other shelter requirements include complete shot records for each pet, which will be reviewed upon arrival at the shelter; an airline-approved carrying case, in which each animal brought to the shelter will remain for the duration of their stay; food for the pet for at least a three-day period; and an agreement, signed by the pet owner upon registration, that confirms that the pet will be accompanied by an owner throughout the duration of the sheltering. Failure to comply with any of these items could preclude someone being able to enter the shelters.

## IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police/Fire/Medical (EMERGENCIES ONLY).....	<b>9-1-1</b>
Polk County Emergency Management .....	(863) 534-5600
Polk County Animal Services .....	(863) 499-2600
Polk County Sheriff's Office .....	(863) 534-6200
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) .....	1 (800) 621-FEMA
American Red Cross.....	(863) 294-5941
The Salvation Army.....	West Polk County (863) 682-8179, East Polk County (863) 291-5107
United Way Information Referral Service .....	(863) 648-1515 or 1 (800) 881-UWAY

## SOURCES OF EMERGENCY INFORMATION

**EVACUATION INFORMATION**  
**Citizens Information Line (CIL)** ..... (863) 534-0321  
Toll Free: ..... 1 (866) 661-0228  
www.polk-county.net

**Radio:** Primary Emergency Broadcast System Stations:  
WONN ..... 1230 AM  
WPCV ..... 97.5 FM  
Travelers Information System (Western Polk County) ..... 1610 AM

**En Español:** WSIR (Winter Haven) ..... 1490 AM  
WAUC (Wauchula) ..... 1310 AM  
WAVP (Avon Park) ..... 1390 AM

**Television:** Consult Television Listings for Local Stations  
PGTV ..... Bright House 622, Comcast 5 and Verizon 20

## WEATHER

**The Weather Channel** ... Consult Local Cable Television Listings  
**Local Radio/TV Stations** ..... See Above  
**National Weather Service (Ruskin)** ..... (813) 645-2323  
**NOAA Weather Radio** ..... S.A.M.E. Code 012105

## June 1 - November 30 • Hurricane Season 2010

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