

Tips for Seniors to be Prepared for

AFTER A HURRICANE PASSES

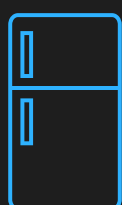
As Floridians, we know hurricanes are massive storms marked by a rapidly rotating storm system with extremely strong winds. They contain a spiral arrangement of thunderstorms that produce heavy rains and coastal storm surges. Sometimes, they're as big as our state.

With so much potential for danger, including falling trees and flying debris, it's critically important to be prepared before a hurricane hits your area. What we have learned from the impact of these storms in Florida, however, it is equally important to be prepared for after a hurricane passes your community. This is particularly critical for seniors who are often more vulnerable than younger, more able-bodied people.

If the power is out, as is often the case after a hurricane for tens or hundreds of thousands of people, it's important to keep safety in mind. Here are a few tips:



TURN OFF OR UNPLUG ALL MAJOR APPLIANCES. THEY COULD BE DAMAGED BY AN ELECTRICAL SURGE WHEN POWER IS RESTORED.



KEEP YOUR REFRIGERATOR AND FREEZER DOORS CLOSED AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.



BE CAREFUL WHEN USING A GAS-POWERED GENERATOR. MAKE SURE IT IS SET UP OUTSIDE AND ONLY REFUEL IT WHEN IT IS COOLED OFF.



ENSURE YOU HAVE ENOUGH MEDICINE FOR A STORM AND THAT IS PROPERLY STORED. BE CAREFUL USING MEDICINE YOU SUSPECT IS AT RISK.

If you have questions on this or any elder law related issue, we are here to help you! Do not wait to contact us for help.