

Resources for those affected by Hurricane Milton, impacting Florida

Emergency shelters
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Charlotte County

Harold Avenue Regional Park - *Pet friendly*
23400 Harold Ave.
Port Charlotte, FL 33980

Citrus County

Citrus Springs Community Center
1570 W. Citrus Springs Blvd.
Citrus Springs, FL 34434

Hernando County

Challenger K-8 - School of Science & Math
- *Special needs, pet friendly*
800 John Gary Grubbs Blvd.
Brooksville, FL 34601

The Enrichment Center - *Pet friendly*
800 John Gary Grubbs Blvd.
Brooksville, FL 34601

West Hernando Middle School
- *Special needs, Pet friendly*
14325 Ken Austin Pkwy.
Brooksville, FL 34614

Hillsborough County

Burnett Middle School - *Pet friendly*
1010 N. Kingsway Rd.
Seffner, FL 3358

Durant High School - *Pet friendly*
4748 Cougar Path
Plant City, FL 33567

Erwin Technical College - *Special needs*
2010 E. Hillsborough Ave.
Tampa, FL 33610

Hyde Park United Methodist - *Pet friendly*
500 W. Platt St.
Tampa, FL 33606

Middleton High School - *Pet friendly*
4801 N. 22nd St.
Tampa, FL 33610

Pizzo Elementary
11701 USF Bull Run Dr.
Tampa, FL 33617

Shields Middle School - *Pet friendly*
15732 Beth Shields Way
Ruskin, FL 33573

Sickles High School
7950 Gunn Hwy.
Tampa, FL 33626

Lee County

Dunbar High School - *Pet friendly*
3800 Edison Ave.
Fort Myers, FL 33916

Estero Community Rec. Center - *Pet friendly*
9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd.
Estero, FL 33928

Gateway High School - *Pet friendly*
13820 Griffin Dr.
Fort Myers, FL 33913

Hertz Arena - *Pet friendly*
11000 Everblades Pkwy.
Estero, FL 33928

Island Coast High School - *Pet friendly*
2125 De Navarra Pkwy.
Cape Coral, FL 33909

Oak Hammock Middle School - *Pet friendly*
5321 Tice St.
Fort Myers, FL 33905

Tortuga Preserve Elementary - *Pet friendly*
1711 Gunnery Rd. N.
Lehigh Acres, FL 33971

Treeline Elementary School - *Pet friendly*
10900 Treeline Ave.
Fort Myers, FL 33913

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Varsity Lakes Middle School - *Pet friendly*
801 Gunnery Rd. N.
Lehigh Acres, FL 33971

Leon County

Leon County Fairgrounds
441 Paul Russell Rd.
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Levy County

Bronson Elementary - *Special needs, pet friendly*
400 Ishie Ave.
Bronson, FL 32621

Bronson Middle-High School - *Pet friendly*
351 Ishie Ave.
Bronson, FL 32621

Madison County

New Testament Christian Center
2558 U.S. 90
Madison, FL 32340

Manatee County

First Baptist Church Life Center - *Pet friendly*
1306 Manatee Ave. W.
Bradenton, FL 34205

Gullett Elementary - *Pet friendly*
12125 44th Ave. E.
Bradenton, FL 34211

Harvey Elementary - *Pet friendly*
8610 115th Ave. E.
Parrish, FL 34219

McNeal Elementary - *Pet friendly*
6325 Lorraine Rd.
Bradenton, FL 34202

Miller Elementary - *Pet friendly*
601 43rd St. W.
Bradenton, FL 34209

Mills Elementary - *Pet friendly*
7200 69th St. E.
Palmetto, FL 34221

Mona Jain Middle School - *Pet friendly*
12205 44th Ave. E.
Bradenton, FL 34211

Myakka City Elementary - *Pet friendly*
37205 Manatee Ave.
Myakka City, FL 34251

Nolan Middle School - *Pet friendly*
6615 Greenbrook Blvd.
Bradenton, FL 34203

Sugg Middle School - *Pet friendly*
5602 38th Ave. W.
Bradenton, FL 34209

Orange County

Silver Star Rec. Center/Magic Gym - *Special needs*
2801 N. Apopka Vineland Rd.
Orlando, FL 32818

South Econ Community Park - *Pet friendly*
3800 S. Econlockhatchee Trail
Orlando, FL 32829

Pasco County

Centennial Middle School - *Pet friendly*
38505 Centennial Rd.
Dade City, FL 33525

Fasano Regional Shelter - *Special needs, pet friendly*
11611 Denton Ave.
Hudson, FL 34667

Fivay High School - *Pet friendly*
12115 Chicago Ave.
Hudson, FL 34669

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River Ridge Middle and High School - *Pet friendly*
11646 Town Center Rd.
New Port Richey, FL 34654

Sun Lake High - *Pet friendly*
3023 Sunlake Blvd.
Land O Lakes, FL 34638

Wesley Chapel High School - *Pet friendly*
30651 Wells Rd.
Wesley Chapel, FL 33545

Pinellas County

Dunedin Highland Middle School - *Special needs*
70 Patricia Ave.
Dunedin, FL 34698

Gibbs High School - *Pet friendly*
850 34th St. S.
St. Petersburg, FL 33771

Largo High School - *Pet friendly*
410 Missouri Ave.
Largo, FL 33770

Lealman Exchange - *Special needs*
5175 45th St. N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33714

Oak Grove Middle School - *Special needs*
1370 S. Belcher Rd.
Clearwater, FL 33764

Palm Harbor University High School
- *Special needs, pet friendly*
1900 Omaha St.
Palm Harbor, FL 34683

Ross Norton Recreation Center - *Pet friendly*
1426 S Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.
Clearwater, FL 33756

Sun Lake High - *Pet friendly*
3023 Sunlake Blvd.
Land O Lakes, FL 34638

Polk County

Polk Co. Health Department Specialty Care Unit - *Special needs*
1255 Brice Blvd.
Bartow, FL 33830

McKeel Academy - *Special needs*
1810 W. Parker St.
Lakeland, FL 33815

Ridge Community Senior High School
- *Special needs*
500 W. Orchid Dr.
Davenport, FL 33837

Sarasota County

Atwater Elementary - *Pet friendly*
4701 Huntsville Ave.
North Port, FL 34288

Booker High School - *Pet friendly*
3201 N. Orange Ave.
Sarasota, FL 34234

Brookside Middle School - *Pet friendly*
3636 S. Shade Ave.
Sarasota, FL 34239

Fruitville Elementary - *Pet friendly*
601 Honore Ave.
Sarasota FL 34232

Gulf Gate Elementary - *Pet friendly*
6500 S. Lockwood Ridge Rd.
Sarasota, FL 34231

Heron Creek Middle School - *Pet friendly*
6501 W. Price Blvd.
North Port, FL 34291

North Port High - *Pet friendly*
6400 W Price Blvd.
North Port, FL 34291

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Phillippi Shores Elementary - *Pet friendly*
4747 S. Tamiami Trail
Sarasota, FL 34231

Southside Elementary - *Pet friendly*
1901 Webber St.
Sarasota, FL 34239

Taylor Ranch Elementary - *Pet friendly*
2500 Taylor Ranch Trail
Venice, FL, 34293

Woodland Middle School - *Pet friendly*
2700 Panacea Blvd.
North Port, FL 34289

Sumter County

Oxford Assembly of God - *Pet friendly*
12114 U.S. Hwy. 301
Oxford, FL 34484

Suwanee County

Fairgrounds Coliseum
1302-11th St. S.W.
Live Oak, FL 32064

Taylor County

Forest Capital Hall - *Pet friendly*
203 Forest Park Dr.
Perry, FL 32348

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* Please note that shelter availability is continuously changing as recovery efforts progress.

For the most up-to-date shelter information,
please call 2-1-1 or visit:

www.floridadisaster.org/shelter-status

or

www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html

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Locating and Receiving Aid

As Hurricane Milton makes its way toward Florida, we've compiled a list of online resources to help you find and access essential aid. These organizations are dedicated to supporting those affected by the disaster. To access the websites, please click on the links. For more detailed information, we recommend reaching out to these organizations directly.

National Hurricane Center

Website: www.nhc.noaa.gov/#Milton

- View the latest weather information on Hurricane Milton.

Florida - PowerOutage.us

Website: poweroutage.us/area/state/florida

- View power outages in real time.

Florida 511 - Road Closures and Evacuations

Website: www.fl511.com

- Find the latest road conditions and up-to-date travel-related information.

GasBuddy - Outage Tracker

Website: tracker.gasbuddy.com

- Find gas stations that have power and fuel during a natural disaster.

FloridaDisasters.org – Shelter Status

Website: www.floridadisaster.org/shelter-status

- Resource with all the current open emergency shelters in Florida. Filter by county, pet friendly, and special needs.

FloridaDisaster.org – Division of Emergency Management

Website: www.floridadisaster.org/disaster-updates/HurricaneMilton

- Press releases, evacuation orders, emergency accommodations, shelter statuses and openings, transit information, school closures, and more information for Hurricane Milton.

State Assistance Information Line (SAIL)

- Call 800-342-3557 to receive up-to-date information regarding Hurricane Milton.

AlertFlorida

Website: apps.floridadisaster.org/alertflorida

- Sign up for emergency alerts and other public safety notifications in your community.

American Red Cross - Find Open Shelters

Website: www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html

- Search for an emergency shelter in your area and learn [what to bring](#) to a shelter.

American Red Cross Reunification

Website: www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/contact-and-locate-loved-ones.html

- Tips and assistance for reconnecting with loved ones.

2-1-1

Dial: 2-1-1

Website: www.211.org/about-us/your-local-211

- United Way offers access to many services in times of crisis as well as for day-to-day needs. It is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, even during disasters. Please call if you are seeking resources such as clothing, food, or programs for your family.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

Phone: 1-800-621-3362

Website: www.fema.gov

- Information on preparing for and recovering from disaster. Find local resources and shelters, plus call or apply for assistance online.

FEMA App

- The FEMA app is available for both Android and iOS and is free to use and download. You can download the FEMA app on [Google Play](#) and on the [Apple App Store](#). You can also download the app via text messaging. On an Android device, text ANDROID to 43362; on an Apple Device, text APPLE to 43362.

FEMA Text Message Program

- To locate an open emergency shelter, text* SHELTER and a ZIP code to 43362.
- To locate an open Disaster Recovery Center, text DRC and a ZIP code to 43362 or visit the [DRC Locator](#) online.

**Please note that standard message and data rates apply.*

Disaster Assistance

Website: www.disasterassistance.gov

- Provides resources to help you learn how to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.

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The Salvation Army USA

Website: www.salvationarmyusa.org

- Offers disaster relief services. [Find](#) your local Salvation Army location.

Feeding Florida - Food Banks

Website: www.feedingflorida.org/feeding-florida/florida-food-banks

- Find your local food bank for food assistance in your area.

Florida Office of Insurance

Website: flor.com

- Find recovery tips, contact information for your insurance company, or help with questions about how to file a claim.

Public Benefits and Services

Website: www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/temporary-cash-assistance

- Public food, cash, and medical assistance programs to help individuals and families in Florida.

Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP)

Website: www.fns.usda.gov/disaster/disaster-d-snap

- D-SNAP is a federal program intended to provide short-term relief to buy food for qualifying disaster victims.

USA.gov

Website: www.usa.gov

- Locate and understand government benefits, programs, and information – including assistance finding [housing](#) and [financial assistance](#) after a disaster.

National Council on Aging (NCOA) - Disaster Assistance for Older Adults

Website: www.ncoa.org/older-adults/benefits/disaster-assistance

- Find resources that can help immediately following a disaster to point both older adults and caregivers toward help with getting food, shelter, tax relief, and more.

Animal Humane Society - After the emergency

Website: www.humanesociety.org/resources/pet-disaster-preparedness#after

- Information and tips on how to care for pets after a disaster.

Expedia Emergency Accommodations Module

Website: www.expedia.com/florida

- Real-time hotel and lodging availability throughout the state of Florida.

Disaster Distress Helpline

Call or text: 1-800-985-5990

Website: www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline

- Crisis counseling and support for anyone experiencing emotional distress related to natural or human-caused disasters.

The National Child Traumatic Stress Network

Phone: 1-800-621-3362

Website: www.nctsn.org/what-is-child-trauma/trauma-types/disasters

- Information on how to help children and families cope with natural disasters and extreme weather events.

Additional emotional support resources

Recovering Emotionally After a Disaster

www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/recovering-emotionally.html

Taking Care of Your Emotional Health

emergency.cdc.gov/coping/selfcare.asp

Helping Your Child Cope with a Disaster

www.cdc.gov/childrenindisasters/children-disaster-help.html

Older Adults and Disasters

www.apa.org/pi/aging/resources/caregivers-disasters.pdf

People with Disabilities – Supporting Mental Health

www.cdc.gov/disability-emergency-preparedness/people-with-disabilities/supporting-mental-health.html