Hurricane/Disaster Preparedness

We are expecting a hurricane or storm-like conditions, which may include flooding, high winds and tornadoes.

Know the Difference Between a Watch and a Warning:
Watch – Conditions are a threat within 48 hours
Warning – Conditions are expected within 36 hours

How to Prepare?
• Listen to WHUR 96.3 FM and WTOP 103.5 FM
• Monitor Howard.edu & HU Communications
• Signup for Alert HU at Howard.edu/bison-connect
• Close windows and doors
• Turn refrigerator/freezer to coldest setting
• Learn the evacuation plan for your building/residence hall
• Make sure disaster supplies are stocked

Hurricane Checklist
• First-aid kits and other medications
• Bottled water
• Non perishable food/ can opener
• Flashlights, batteries and battery-operated radio
• Personal hygiene items (moist towelettes and hand sanitizer)
• Secure personal documents (driver’s license, passport, social security card)
• Cell phones and chargers
• Printed contact information for family
• Cash

What to do During?
• Listen to local news for updates
• Stay away from windows and glass doors - keep them closed.
• If necessary, evacuate according to the instructions of campus officials and/or local authorities.
• If your building structure is threatened, lie on the floor under a table or another sturdy object.
• Move to the lowest level of your building.
• Remain inside until an official “all clear” is given.