



Dixie County Essential Shelter Needs



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Things that you need to bring to a shelter

Please note that due to a limited number of special needs cots, you may be required to sleep on a Coleman Cot. Also, if it is necessary for you to be in an upright position, please bring bed pillows or backrests for your comfort. Bring each of these items in quantities to last for **72 HOURS OR MORE**:

1. ALL REQUIRED MEDICATIONS AND MEDICAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT:
 - Wheelchair/walker, oxygen, dressings, feeding and suction equipment, diapers, etc.
 - Any specific medication or care instructions (one week or more supply)
 - Name, phone number of physician/home health agency/hospital where you receive care
 - An adequate supply of prescription medicine to last for 3 days or more
2. DIETARY NEEDS:
 - Nonperishable food to survive for 72 hours or more, per person. Include any special diet items you may need.
3. FOOD AND WATER/LIQUIDS:
 - Snacks, fruit juice, Gatorade, water, fruits, crackers (72 hour or more supply)
4. SLEEPING GEAR:
 - Pillows, blankets (include any support pillows or back supports you may need) if you require being in a raised position when sleeping
 - Portable cot or air mattress, folding chairs, sleeping bags.
 - Evacuation shelters tend to be cold so bring a blanket or sweater to keep warm. No guarantee of cots at the shelter.
5. IMPORTANT PAPERS AND IDENTIFICATION:
 - Wills, deeds, licenses, insurance policies, home inventory, doctors' orders, Do Not Resuscitate and Living Will forms
 - Current photo and current address, medical identification card
6. CASH:
 - Check cashing/credit card services may not be available for several days after the storm. BUT, don't bring too much. There will be no place to secure money or valuables at the evacuation shelter.
7. COMFORT ITEMS:
 - Small games, cards, diapers, books, batteries, manual can opener, etc.
8. PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS:
 - Toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, towels, brush/comb, dentures, glasses, hearing aids and batteries, etc.
9. EXTRA CLOTHING:
 - A one week supply of comfortable clothing and extra sets of underwear and socks.