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## **Hurricane Preparedness Week**

**WOODBINE, GEORGIA – May 11, 2016** – June 1, 2016 officially begins Hurricane Season. So May is the perfect time for Camden County residents to begin preparing. Camden County Emergency Management Agency (EMA), the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA), Homeland Security Agency (HSA), and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will all be promoting Hurricane Preparedness Week from May 15<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016.



Although hurricanes cannot be predicted well in advance, our residents can take care of many important preparations this month, before the rush that accompanies a storm's arrival. "Early planning will help our residents to be ready in the event of a hurricane-related incident," said Camden County EMA Director Mark Crews. "It's everyone's responsibility to be prepared."

Hurricane Preparedness Week will focus on those early preparations, and provide residents with day by day information and activities.

- **Sunday, May 15: Know Your Risk-** Find out what wind and water hazards could occur in your area. The impacts of a hurricane can be felt hundreds of miles inland and these devastating impacts are not just coastal problems.
- **Monday, May 16: Develop an Evacuation Plan-** Get familiar with Georgia Navigator, so when the time comes, you will know which direction to go. You can also find evacuation routes [here](#).

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- **Tuesday, May 17: Secure an Insurance Checkup-** The standard insurance policy does not cover flooding, so call your insurance agent and make sure you have enough coverage to make repairs to or replace your home.
- **Wednesday, May 18: Assemble Disaster Supplies-** Have enough non-perishable food, water and medicine to last each person at least three days. Make sure you remember pet supplies!
- **Thursday, May 19: Strengthen Your Home-** Make sure your home is in good repair and meets hurricane code specifications. Have the proper plywood or aluminum panels to board up windows and doors.

**About Camden County:** Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is “Georgia’s Coastal Community of Choice.” Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

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