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OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Hurricane Preparedness 2025



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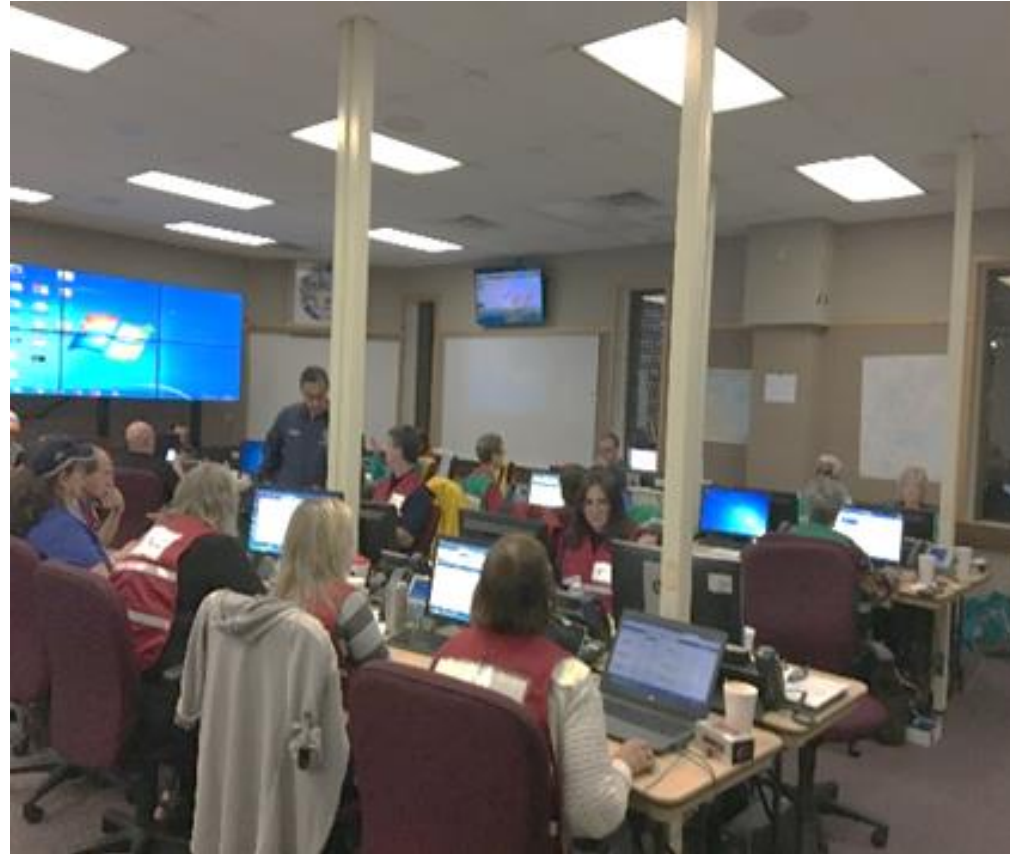
How the City is Prepared

City Operation Center

A central location where the government can provide inter agency coordination and executive decision making for managing disaster response and recovery.

Primary Functions Include:

- Strategic Direction and Control
- Situation Assessment
- Establishing Priorities
- Resource Management
- Communications



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How the City is Prepared



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All Hazards Plan

- City Departments have an All-Hazard Emergency Plans
- Plans are Updated Annually
- Nursing Home Emergency Plans Reviewed by EOC Office

Department Operation Centers

- Police Department
- Fire Department
- Corpus Christi Water
- Health District
- Public Works
- Solid Waste



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City Emergency Teams

- 14 Emergency Teams Comprised of City Employees
- Teams Have Been Created To Respond To Emergencies: Before, During, and After a Storm
- Teams have Specific Roles During Emergencies
- Communication Between the EOC and Emergency Teams is Key in a Successful Operation

Team Approach

- Strong Interdepartmental Collaboration: City departments work together seamlessly, providing mutual support to ensure an effective response during emergencies.
- Prepared for the Worst-Case Scenario: Planning focuses on the most severe possibilities to ensure readiness well before a crisis occurs.
- Proactive, Not Reactive: While challenges are inevitable, the City's approach emphasizes preparation and early action to stay ahead.



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Planning and Exercises

Whole Community Planning Approach: Disaster planning involves coordination across departments and agencies, using real-world training and tools to ensure readiness. Key components include:

- Web EOC Drills – Emergency Operations Coordination Practice
- Reverse Alert Drills – Testing Public Notification Systems
- Coastal Bend Hurricane Exercise – Regional Preparedness Collaboration
- Full-scale Evacuation Exercise – Simulating Large-scale Evacuations
- Incident Command Training – Ensuring Staff Are Trained In Structured Emergency Response Systems





2025 Hurricane Season

Began June 1st



2025 Atlantic Tropical Cyclone Names

Andrea
Barry
Chantal
Dexter
Erin
Fernand
Gabrielle

Humberto
Imelda
Jerry
Karen
Lorenzo
Melissa
Nestor

Olga
Pablo
Rebekah
Sebastien
Tanya
Van
Wendy

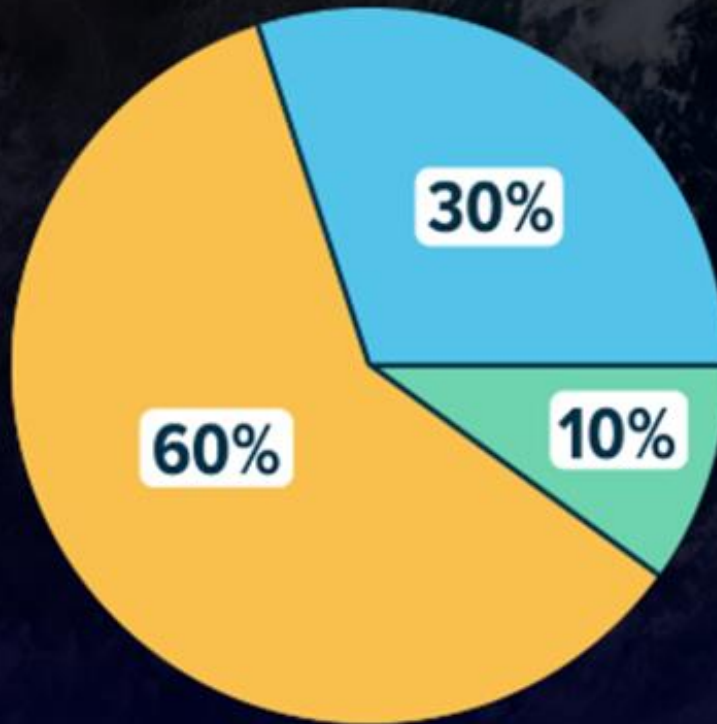
Be prepared: Visit hurricanes.gov and follow NOAA's @NWS and @NHC Atlantic on X.




May 2025



2025 Atlantic Hurricane Season Outlook

Season Probability



 Above Normal  Near Normal  Below Normal

Named Storms

13 - 19

Hurricanes

6 - 10

Major Hurricanes





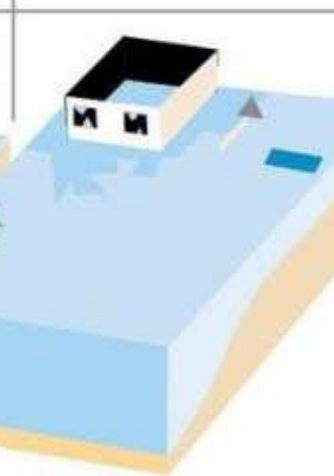
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No matter what the number is, remember it only takes one for a really bad day in Corpus Christi. Therefore, it is so important that the city is proactive in our preparedness and planning.

IT ONLY TAKES ONE

Hurricane Levels

	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Category 5
Wind	74-95mph	96-110mph	111-130mph	131-155mph	Over 155mph
Storm surge	4-5ft	6-8ft	9-12ft	13-16ft	Over 18ft
					
	Minimal: No real structural damage; some flooding	Moderate: Material damage to buildings; small craft break moorings	Extensive: Structural damage to small houses; inland flooding	Extreme: Major structural damage & heavy flooding; evacuation necessary	Catastrophic: Massive damage to buildings; small structures blown over or away



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Coordination and Collaboration



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Coordination with Key Agencies:

The City maintains constant communication with local, regional, and state partners to ensure a unified emergency response. These include:

- Nueces County Emergency Operations Center
- National Weather Service – Corpus Christi Office
- Port of Corpus Christi Emergency Operations Center
- Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS)
- Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM)
- Coastal Bend Council of Governments
- Coastal Bend Regional Advisory Council (CBRAC) Hospitals
- 2-1-1 Texas – Public Information & Assistance Line



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Agencies Involved in Past Disasters

Various local, regional, and state agencies have played critical roles in past disaster responses, working alongside the City to coordinate evacuations, deliver resources, and restore essential services to the community.

- AEP
- American Red Cross
- Catholic Charities
- Church Unlimited
- Coastal Bend Community Foundation
- Coastal Bend Food Bank
- Corpus Christi NWS
- Del Mar College
- Functional Needs Support Team
- RACES, or Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service
- H-E-B
- Independent School Districts
- KLUX Radio
- Port of Corpus Christi
- RTA
- Salvation Army
- TAMUCC
- Texas Division of Emergency Management
- U.S Coast Guard
- 2-1-1Texas



Partner Communication

The City uses layered communication systems to ensure timely and accurate updates reach all sectors of the community:

- Businesses – Operational updates and safety protocols
- Hospitals & Dialysis Centers – Critical medical coordination
- Schools – Closures, shelter coordination, and transportation alerts
- Nursing Facilities – Evacuation support and medical needs
- STEAR Participants – Direct outreach to vulnerable populations
- General Public – Warnings, instructions, and recovery resources

Communication Channels used include:

- Webex Briefings for Key Partners



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Outreach



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Engaging the Community Before the Storm

The City of Corpus Christi uses a wide range of outreach methods to inform and prepare residents for hurricane season:

- 100,000 Hurricane Preparedness Information Pamphlets Mailed Out With Utility Bills
- Public Presentations
- Community Town Hall Meeting With NWS
- Facebook And X/Twitter
- Reverse Alert
- Telephone & Email
- Hurricane Special With Channel 3
- Multiple TV Interviews On Hurricane Preparedness



Communications



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City Provides Real-time Updates Across Multiple Trusted Platforms:

- ReverseAlert – Official Emergency Notifications At reversealert.org
- Klux 89.5 FM – Continuous Radio Updates During Weather Events
- City Website – Visit www.corpuschristi.tx.org/readycc For Preparedness Resources
- City News Releases – Official Updates and Information On The City's Newsroom Page
- News Media – Live Coverage and Updates Through Local TV and Radio Stations
- Social Media - Facebook: [@Readycc](https://www.facebook.com/Readycc) - Twitter/X: [@Readycc](https://twitter.com/Readycc)





REVERSEALERT

Emergency Alert Program Overview

The Coastal Bend LEPC and the Coastal Plains LEPC have partnered to provide an emergency alert program for citizens region-wide. The system allows officials to alert individuals based on their preferences. When signing up, residents enter their contact information and subscribe to notifications based on location. The information residents provide is protected and will not be used for other purposes.

How It Works

When officials notify residents about a potential safety hazard or concern, they receive a message on the voice or text communication method they have registered. A key feature of the system is the ability to confirm receipt of the alert. If residents opt for the confirmation feature, the alert system will continue to attempt to contact them through subsequent notification methods until a confirmation is received. This feature is optional.

Sign up for Notifications

Residents can create an account by adding contact information, location, and notification preferences. All information provided will be kept confidential.

Stop Receiving Notifications


Residents can stop receiving alerts or modifying their preferences at any time by removing contact information.

The screenshot shows the Reverse Alert website for Corpus Christi. At the top, there are logos for the Corpus Christi Fire Dept. and the Reverse Alert program. The main header includes links for Sign In, Sign Up, Notifications, Overview, and FAQs. A language selection dropdown is set to English. The main content area is titled "Know Now with Emergency Alerts - Corpus Christi". It explains the alert program and provides instructions on how to sign up. Below this, there is a section titled "Sign up for the Proper Reverse Alert" which lists four jurisdictions: Aransas County, Nueces County, Refugio County, and San Patricio County, each with its respective seal. At the bottom, there is a "Sign in to your account" form with fields for Username and Password, a Sign In button, and links for Forgot Username or Password, and a link for Don't have an account? Sign Up. The footer contains copyright information for Everbridge, Inc. and links to Terms of Use and Privacy Policy.



Hurricane season begins June 1 and ends November 30 each year, but don't wait until the last minute! Now is the time to get prepared before a storm threatens our area. Here are some resources and tips to consider as you make your plan.

[2025 NWS Hurricane Guide](#)[2025 NWS Guía de Huracanes](#)[Skip to footer](#)



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Living in
Our Community

Recreation
& Culture

Business
& Development

Leadership
& Government

City
Departments



Prepare your family


Develop a plan and make arrangements for all family members and pets.

Create an Emergency Plan
(texasready.gov)

Emergency Planning for Pets

Hurricane Planning Flyer

What to do in a Hurricane



Know where to go


Citizens should prepare a plan well in advance of an evacuation.

Evacuation Routes and Maps

What to do in a Hurricane

Before and During the Storm

Hurricane Reentry Request
For Companies & Organizations



Prepare your home & boat


Learn how to protect your home from strong winds and water damage.

Insure and Retrofit Your Home

National Flood Insurance Program

More Info on Ready.gov

More Info on TexasReady.gov



Prepare your business


Resources are available to help your business prepare for hurricanes.

Reentry Request for Companies or Organizations

Institute for Business and Home Safety

Preparedness Planning for Your Business

FEMA Protect Your Business



Reverse Alert


Receive emergency updates via text, mobile, business phone, email, and more.

Reverse Alert Information

Reverse Alert Website

Reverse Alert Sign Up

Reverse Alert Login



Learn about hurricanes

Hurricanes are dangerous forces of nature that must be taken seriously.

Western Gulf of Mexico Tropical Cyclones History

Hurricane Wind Scale

National Hurricane Center

FEMA for Kids and Educators

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Know your Evacuation Route

The City of Corpus Christi follows a phased evacuation strategy based on designated zones and storm impacts:

The City is divided into five evacuation zones (A1, A2, A3, B, and C).

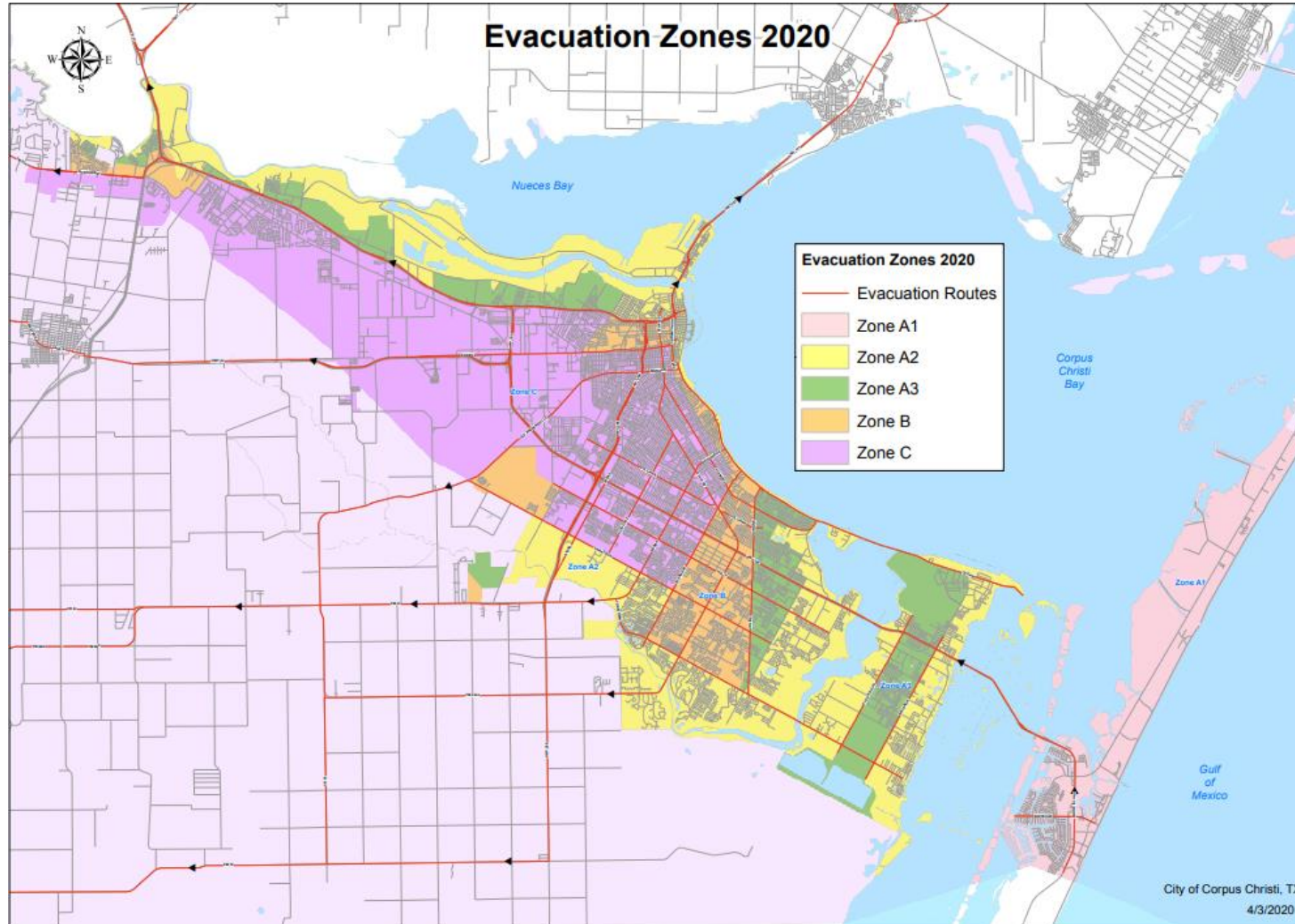
- Evacuation recommendations are made based on factors such as storm strength, path, and storm surge projections.
- A phased evacuation timeline is in place to guide decision-making on when and which zones should evacuate to maximize safety and reduce congestion.



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Assisted Evacuation

For residents unable to self-evacuate, the City provides free assisted evacuation options in partnership with RTA and school districts:

- **Pickup at Nearest Bus Stop:** RTA will transport individuals from local bus stops to a designated transfer station.
- **Transfer to Corpus Christi Gym:** The transfer station will send evacuees to the City's evacuation hub at the Corpus Christi Gym.
- **No-Cost Service with Support:** Passengers may bring pets and personal belongings; all rides are free of charge.
- **CCISD and State Buses:** Additional transport out of town will be supported through school and state resources.



Evacuation Hub



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Phased Hurricane Reentry



Reentry into the community is coordinated in structured phases to ensure safety and restoration of critical services.





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Questions?