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DEAR NEW ORLEANS -

NOLA Ready is your source for major special events and emergencies in New Orleans. From winter storms and hurricanes to Mardi Gras and festivals, you can plan ahead to ensure a safe and celebratory 2019.

Use this #ReadyYearRound calendar as your guide.

Help us spread the word! Tell a family member, friend, or neighbor what you do to prepare for emergencies. Because, together we're ready for whatever comes our way.

- THE TEAM AT NOLA READY







YEAR AT A GLANCE



New Year's Day

Tuesday, Jan. 1st



Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, Jan. 21st



Tet, Vietnamese New Year

Tuesday, Feb. 5th



Valentine's Day

Thursday, Feb. 14th



President's Day

Monday, Feb. 18th



Mardi Gras

Tuesday, Mar. 5th



Daylight Savings Begins

Sunday, Mar. 10th



St. Patrick's Day

Sunday, Mar. 17th



French Quarter Festival

Thursday, Apr. 11th - Sunday, Apr. 14th



Tax Day

Monday, Apr. 15th



Passover

Friday, Apr. 19th - Saturday, Apr. 27th



Good Friday

Friday, Apr. 19th



Easter

Sunday, Apr. 21st



Earth Day

Monday, Apr. 22nd



Jazz Fest

Friday, Apr. 26th - Sunday, May 5th



Mother's Day

Sunday, May 12th



Memorial Day

Monday, May 27th



Hurricane Season Begins

Saturday, Jun. 1st



Eid al Fitr, End of Ramadan

Monday, Jun. 3rd - Tuesday, Jun. 4th



Father's Day

Sunday, Jun. 16th



Juneteenth

Wednesday, June 19th



Independence Day

Thursday, Jul. 4th



Essence Festival

Thursday, Jul. 4th - Sunday, July 7th



Eid al-Adha, Feast of the Sacrifice

Saturday, Aug. 10th - Sunday, Aug. 11th



Southern Decadence

Thursday, Aug. 29th - Monday, Sep. 2nd



Labor Day

Monday, Sep. 2nd

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Rosh Hashanah

Sunday, Sep. 29th - Tuesday, Oct. 1st



Yom Kippur

Tuesday, Oct. 8th - Wednesday, Oct. 9th



Columbus Day

Monday, Oct. 14th



Halloween

Thursday, Oct. 31st



Daylight Savings Ends

Sunday, Nov. 3rd



Election Day

Tuesday, Nov. 5th



Veteran's Day (observed)

Monday, Nov. 11th



Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, Nov. 28th



Hanukkah

Sunday, Dec. 22nd - Monday, Dec. 30th



Christmas Day

Wednesday, Dec. 25th



New Year's Eve

Tuesday, Dec. 31st





When the weather outside is frightful, stay safe & warm. 1 Don't leave space heaters unattended 2 Don't use an oven for heat. 3 During cold

1 Don't leave space heaters unattended **2** Don't use an oven for heat. **3** During cold weather, bring pets indoors. **4** Protect your outdoor plants from cold, too. **5** When it's below freezing, protect your pipes with insulation or turn off your water. **6** Be extremely careful on the road during snow or ice storms.

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Parade with care during Carnival season. 1 Take advantage of first aid stations along the parade route. 2 Text

1 Take advantage of first aid stations along the parade route. 2 Text MARDIGRAS to 888777 or visit nola.gov/mardigras to stay in the know. 3 Plan a meeting spot in case your group gets separated. 4 If you see something suspicious, say something to a public safety official. 5 Know where to find the closest public restroom along the route.

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Stay connected & know what to do during severe weather.

1 Text your zip code to 888777 or go to ready.nola.gov/alerts to sign up for alerts. **Before a storm: 2** Bring outside furniture indoors. 3 Take down decorations. 4 Prune trees & shrubs. 5 Secure trash bins. 6 Keep emergency supplies on hand.

During a storm: 7 Seek shelter from lightning. 8 Go to an interior room on the

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Before April showers, get ready for rain.

1 Find details about your flood risk and how to manage it at ready.nola.gov/rain. 2 Get flood insurance to cover your contents & building against flood damage. 3 Install a rain garden to hold stormwater & prevent flooding. 4 Clean your gutters & downspouts. 5 Clear debris from in front of catch basins.

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which can carry disease.

Keep New Orleans safe & beautiful: #CleanUpNOLA.

1 Clear debris from catch basins to prevent flooding & pollution in the lake. 2
Empty standing water from flower pots, 3 pet dishes & 4 kiddie pools to prevent mosquito growth. 5 Place yard waste, tires & branch bundles curbside on your 2nd

collection day. 6 While you're cleaning, protect yourself from sun & mosquitoes,

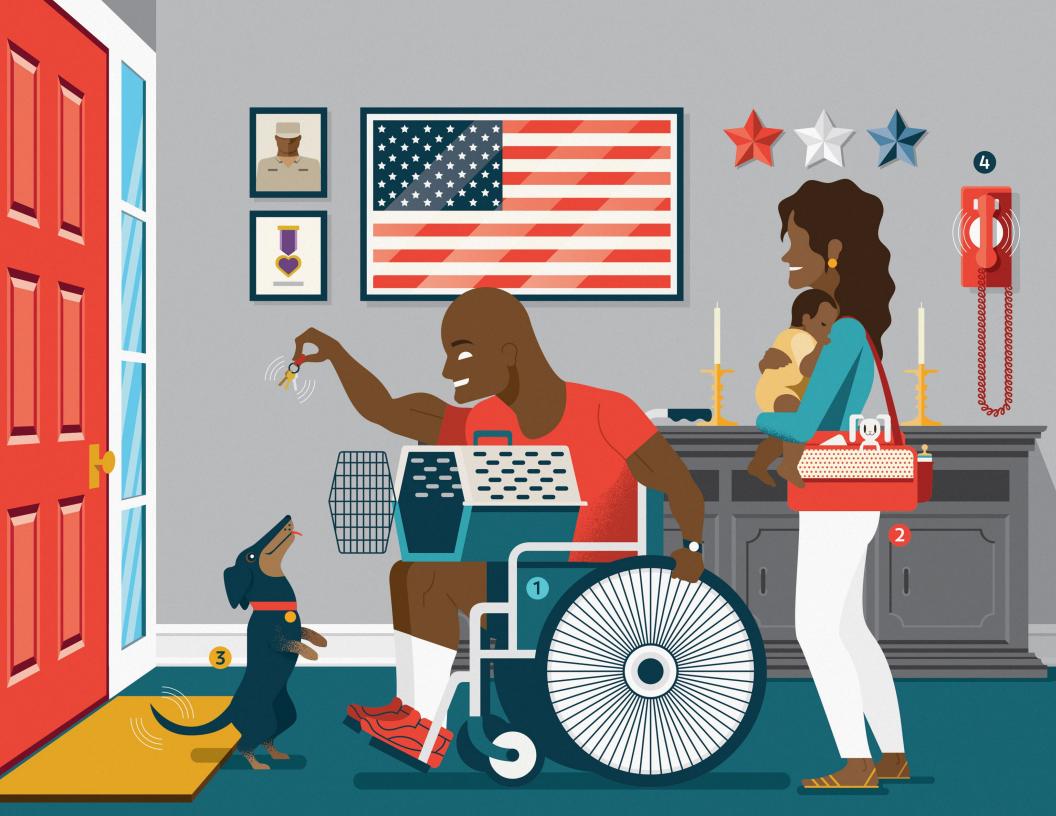




Get ready for hurricane season, which starts June 1st.

1 Stay connected with NOLA Ready emergency alerts. **2** Make a plan to evacuate & a plan to shelter in place, depending on the storm's severity. **3** Gather supplies for a "go bag" & a **4** "home kit." **5** If you can't evacuate on your own, find your closest evacuspot & learn about City-Assisted Evacuation.

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Plan for your family's special needs.

1 Call 3-1-1 to sign up for the Special Needs Registry if you have medical,

2 Pack extra items in your emergency supplies if you have young children,

mobility, or mental health needs that might require extra help in an emergency.

like diapers, bottles, pump, formula & toys to entertain. **3** Include pets in your emergency plans & supplies. **4** Talk to friends & neighbors with special needs.





Beat the heat during the dog days of summer. 1 Stay cool indoors in air conditioning. 2 Consider options to increase

energy efficiency in your home. 3 Stay hydrated. 4 Check on family, friends & neighbors, especially the elderly. 5 Know the signs of heat-related illness & what to do.

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SEPTEMBER More at ready, nola, gov/september

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Up your prep skills with NOLA Ready training.

1 Learn CPR, how to stop bleeding & how to prevent an opioid overdose. **2** Know how to use first aid gear & **3** an AED. **4** Get safety & security advice for your organization. **5** Volunteer to help your community before, during & after a disaster.

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Take time this fall to review your home's fire safety.

1 Plan & practice a fire escape plan with your family. 2 Install smoke alarms in every sleeping area in your home. Need smoke alarms? The New Orleans Fire Department will install them free of charge. 3 Cook safely. Stay in the kitchen when you're cooking on the stove.

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NOVEMBER More at ready.nola.gov/november

As flu season ramps up, get vaccinated & stop the spread of germs.

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1 Everyone over 6 months of age should get the flu vaccination. **2** Prevent the spread of flu by washing your hands often. **3** Cover your mouth when coughing & stay home if you or a family member is sick.

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DECEMBER

Support our coastal city with multiple lines of

defense against storms. **1** From rain barrel to surge barrier, get to know the stormwater infrastructure around you. **2** Recycle your Christmas More at ready.nola.gov/december tree to create new marsh habitat. 3 Take part in activities to restore the coast, invest in infrastructure & protect the New Orleans we love.

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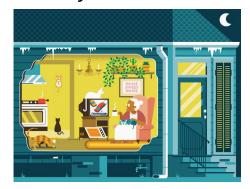






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