Hurricane Preparedness Recommendations

**Do not shelter alone!** If you live in a low-lying area consider staying with someone in a higher ground location for the duration of the storm.

Secure all outside items indoors

Close storm shutters and windows

Fill bathtub full with water for flushing toilets.

If your freezer is not full, freeze containers of purified water and pack in freezer.

Stock up on nonperishable food and plenty of water. Items should be foods ready to eat without heating or refrigeration required and enough for 3 days

Fill cars with gas and park as high above ground as available and away from trees

Top off phone and keep fully charged while electricity is available.

Assure flashlights and lanterns have fresh batteries and do not use candles

Have a battery operated radio available to monitor local radio news announcements.

Take photos of all important documents i.e. passport, visa, driver’s license, Ross ID and store in your phone.

Pack a bag with a change of clothing, toiletries and documents: passport, visa, insurance cards, and credit cards. Store papers in a zip lock bag.

Monitor phone and email for Siren alerts and updates as long as possible.

**DO NOT GO OUTSIDE DURING STORM.** Monitor storm advisories and stay inside until advised that it is safe to leave your home. The eye of the storm gives a perception that the storm has passed but it has not and will begin again. When it is safe to leave, do not walk through flooded waters. They contain bacteria and may have live wires down in flooded areas.

**DO NOT USE ALCOHOL.** With any emergency you need to be clear headed and able to maintain your safety at all times.

Stay away from windows and doors during the storm. Stay on a floor that has a cement ceiling overhead if possible.

If your home/apartment floods, seek higher floors and notify Ross Security. Do not attempt to leave unless advised to do so.

After the storm, do not drive until safe to do so. Then, do not drive through flooded areas.