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PRESS RELEASE

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Headline:	Updated Emergency Shelter Information

With many in Fluvanna County still without power and overnight temperatures expected to be in the low teens, Fluvanna County will continue to operate the emergency shelter at the Fluvanna County High School, 1918 Thomas Jefferson Parkway, Palmyra, VA. The shelter will remain open overnight into Saturday with reevaluation taking place Saturday to determine continuing needs.

A limited number of sleeping cots are available, however linens and blankets are not. Please bring bedding with you.

- Food and water will be available.
- Bring:
 - bedding
 - medications and medications list
 - glasses, contact lenses, contact lens cases, storage solution
 - emergency contact list
 - chargers for your devices
 - entertainment – earbuds, books, puzzles, crosswords, word search, kindle, portable DVD with earbuds,
- Residents must be self-sufficient or have a caretaker present.
- Children should be supervised.
- There is **no wifi access**.
- **If you need transportation to the emergency shelter, please call 434-591-1995.**
- **Masks are required inside the high school at all times.**

The Kents Store ARC will open the ARC Building at 1:00pm today to be used as an emergency shelter. The Kents Store ARC Building is located at 111 Kents Store Way, Kents Store, VA 23084 and will remain open overnight.

- There are no sleeping cots at the ARC. Residents who wish to stay overnight should bring bedding.
 - Showers are not available.
 - Food and water will be available.
 - Additional items to bring with you:
 - medications and medications list
 - glasses, contact lenses, contact lens cases, storage solution
 - emergency contact list
 - chargers for your devices
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- entertainment – earbuds, books, puzzles, crosswords, word search, kindle, portable DVD with earbuds,
 - Residents must be self-sufficient or have a caretaker present.
 - Children should be supervised.
 - There is **no wifi access**.
 - **If you need transportation to the emergency shelter, please call 434-591-1995.**
 - **The ARC is requiring masks be worn while inside the building.**

General Reminders:

- Both the Fluvanna County Emergency Shelter and the ARC shelter are available to anyone who would like to charge devices during open hours.
- Make a list of all medications you or a loved one take – take the list, and your medications, with you if you plan to stay away from home.
- Please follow these safety tips from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management when using a portable generator or heater while you are without power:
 - Never use a portable generator indoors, even with a window open
 - Place at least 20 feet from the house or garage
 - Point the exhaust away from doors, windows, and vents
 - All heaters need space – Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from portable space heaters.

More information about preparing for winter weather can be found at:

- Virginia Department of Emergency Management:
<https://www.vaemergency.gov/threats/winter-weather/>
- Ready.gov - <https://www.ready.gov/winter-weather>
- American Red Cross - <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/winter-storm.html>