

Option 3: Take an RTA bus that runs near Champions Square. The following downtown buses can drop you off within walking distance to the Smoothie King Center:

- 84 - Galvez
- 8 - St. Claude
- 32 - Leonidas-Treme
- 55 - Elysian Fields
- 114A - Garden Oaks-Sullen
- 114B - Garden Oaks-Woodland
- 51 - St. Bernard-Claiborne
- 52 - Paris-Broadmoor
- 57 - Franklin-Freret
- 91 - Jackson-Esplanade

Option 4: Persons with mobility or medical challenges may qualify for point-to-point transportation to the Smoothie King Center via RTA paratransit or ambulance. Those persons should register for Smart 911 and request transportation by calling 311.

For More Information



Call **311**, text **NOLAREADY** to **77295** or visit the City of New Orleans online at **ready.nola.gov**.



Visit **norta.com/hurricane** or follow RTA on social media.



SAFFIR-SIMPSON HURRICANE WIND SCALE

Category	Winds (Mph)	Damage
1	74 - 95	Some
2	96 - 110	Extensive
3	111 - 129	Devastating
4	130 - 156	Catastrophic
5	157+	Catastrophic

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2023 Hurricane Preparedness Guide

Use this guide to make a hurricane evacuation plan for your family.



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Make a Plan

Now is the time to get prepared.

- Decide whether to evacuate or shelter in place before the storm. In the event of a mandatory evacuation, all residents and visitors must evacuate.
- Connect with your support network of neighbors, friends and relatives who can assist you in an emergency.
- Inform your family and friends of your plan and determine how you will maintain contact with one another.
- Designate someone in your support network to keep an extra key to your home, access your emergency supplies and medication and to check in on you.
- Stay in touch, stay informed. Listen to your radio or TV and keep aware of changes in a storm. Sign up for NOLA Ready Emergency Alerts. **Text NOLAREADY to 77295** or visit ready.nola.gov for more options.
- Be realistic about your ability to manage alone during and after a storm.
- If you have a service animal or pet, make a pet evacuation kit that includes: a carrier, copies of vaccination records, ID tag or microchip, collar, leash, bowls, medications, food, manual can opener and a photo of your pet. Small pets (20 pounds or less) that fit in a carrier on your lap are permitted on RTA buses. If you have a larger pet (greater than 20 pounds), contact 311 for special assistance from RTA and Louisiana SPCA.

Enroll in Smart911 and share your medical information, especially if you have a disability, rely on electricity-dependent equipment, or have any mobility needs. This will enable you to receive customized alerts and resources that may be available during all types of emergencies. Visit www.smart911.com or download the Smart911 app (Apple Store or Google Play).

Create a List

Prepare for a loss of power when you won't have access to your cell phone or computer.

- Create a list of resources, contacts and important information: phone numbers of friends and family members, primary care physician, pharmacist, local police, fire and EMS departments.
- Collect and safely secure documents, personal identification, insurance policies, social security cards and birth certificates. Protect your documents from water damage by sealing your documents in a plastic bag.

What Can I Bring on the Bus When Evacuating?

- Pack light and bring one carry-on-size bag so we can maximize bus evacuee space. The Smoothie King Center and State buses will have LIMITED space and will not allow you to bring more than one bag. Your bag should be able to fit on your lap.
- Bring at least two weeks' worth of supplies and pack a list of any medications you need.
- If you are a senior citizen and have mobility challenges, go to a Senior Center Evacuspots, preferably with a Personal Care Assistant or family member who will also be evacuating.
- Bring important documents like insurance policies, social security cards and birth certificates, as well as extra cash. Consider securing them in plastic bags to ensure that they're waterproof.
- Something that can help us figure out who you are, like an ID card. However, an ID card is not required to board RTA buses during an evacuation.
- Small pets (20 pounds or less) that fit in a carrier should have an ID collar, leash and medications. Your pet will be processed separately at the Smoothie King Center and taken safely to a State pet shelter where you will be reunited with them upon return.

Your Travel Options to the Orleans Parish Pick-up Point (Smoothie King Center)

If you decide to use the RTA to travel to the Smoothie King Center, you have four options:

Option 1: Use the RTA's existing transit system to travel to 1 of 5 transit hubs at Main Library, New Orleans East Library, City Park Cemeteries, Wilty Terminal (Westbank) and Gentilly. A dedicated bus will then transport passengers from our transit hubs to the Smoothie King Center. The 13 general population Evacuspots are now integrated into the RTA's existing transit system as bus stops.

Option 2: If you are a senior with mobility challenges, use 1 of 5 Senior Evacuspots (**listed below**) for direct transport to the Smoothie King Center. These spots are marked by a statue that looks like a person holding one hand up.

SENIOR CENTER EVACUSPOTS

Arthur Monday Senior Center

Address: 1111 Newton Ave. (Algiers)

Nearest Bus Route: 103 - General Meyer Local

Transit Hub: Wilty Terminal (Westbank Hub)

Clover

Address: 1600 Constance St. (Lower Garden District)

Nearest Bus Route: 11 - Magazine

Transit Hub: Main Library Hub

Central City Senior Center

Address: 2101 Phillip St. (Central City)

Nearest Bus Route: 57 - Franklin-Feret

Transit Hub: Main Library Hub

Mater Dolorosa

Address: 1226 S. Carrollton Ave. (Carrollton)

Nearest Bus Route: 31 - Leonidas-Gentilly / 32 - Leonidas-Treme

Transit Hub: Gentilly Hub / Main Library Hub

Sanchez Center (Both General & Senior)

Address: 1616 Caffin Ave. (Lower 9th Ward)

Nearest Bus Route: 84 - Galvez-L9 / 86 - St. Maurice-Chalmette

Transit Hub: Main Library Hub