

NEWS RELEASE

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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (August 25, 2011) The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is scheduled to be fully activated at 7 a.m. Saturday. The public information telephone number for the EOC is 757-514-4570.

UPDATE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (August 25, 2011) In preparation for Hurricane Irene, City Manager Selena Cuffee-Glenn signed a Declaration of Emergency this afternoon.

All weekend City Sponsored activities have been canceled including the Farmer's Market at Market Park, TGIF at Bennett's Creek Park, Suffolk Summer Slam at Bennett's Creek Park, all picnic shelter rentals at Lake Meade Park, Bennett's Creek Park, Sleepy Hole Park and Lone Star Lakes Lounge and Jericho Community Day.

Suffolk Prepares for Storm

SUFFOLK, Virginia (August 26, 2011) – Hurricane preparations are in full effect in the City of Suffolk. The Emergency Operations Center will open on limited activation status Friday, August 26th at 8:30 a.m. and full activation status on Saturday, August 27th.

In order to prepare for the storm, City of Suffolk Offices will close at 12:00 noon on Friday, August 26th. City facilities typically open on Saturday, to include all Public Libraries, the Visitor's Center, and all Parks & Recreation Centers, will be closed on Saturday, August 27th. The Visitor's Center will remain closed on Sunday, August 28th.

Evacuation Shelters will open Friday night at 8:00 p.m. The shelters being activated include: Nansemond River High School, located at 3301 Nansemond Pkwy., Lakeland High School, located at 214 Kenyon Rd. and Kings Fork High School, located at 351 Kings Fork Rd.

The City continues to keep citizens informed with regular updates via their website at www.suffolkva.us, as well as Municipal Channel 8 on Charter and social media outlets including Facebook, Twitter and Nixle.

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