

***Please read this important information to help you prepare for Hurricane Sandy.  
Pass along this information to others that may not have access to the Internet or email.  
We will continue to update the Town website ([www.northbeachmd.org](http://www.northbeachmd.org)),  
the North Beach Maryland Facebook page and @north\_beach\_md on Twitter.***

If you have any questions or need additional information, call the Town Hall at 301.855.6681 or 410.257.9618. If you are experiencing an emergency, please call 911.

- Place sandbags in areas to prevent water from entering your home. Sand and sandbags will be available between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 26 and between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. (or until bags and sand are gone) on Sunday, October 27 at the Public Works Yard at 4030 11th Street, North Beach for NORTH BEACH RESIDENTS ONLY. The sand and bags are first come, first serve and you will need to fill your own bags. The county is also making sand and sand bags available for residents who need them to protect property. Up to 20 sand bags per person may be picked up from 2 to 7 p.m. today, and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the following locations: Appeal Salt Dome, 401 Sweetwater Road, Lusby; Stafford Road Salt Dome, 335 Stafford Road, Barstow; and, Mt. Hope Salt Dome, 92 Pushaw Road, Sunderland.
- There are things that you can do to make your home more secure and able to withstand stronger storms, including boarding up windows, using sandbags to prevent flooding, ensuring trees and shrubs around your home are well trimmed, clearing loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts, removing loose items around your yard so they will not blow away and damage yours or your neighbor's home, etc.
- If asked to evacuate, it is for your own safety. We cannot stress enough, if you are asked to evacuate, please do so. Before you leave your home, shut the valve at any propane tanks including portable tanks, turn off main water valve, turn off lights and appliances (except refrigerators and freezers), and close and lock windows and doors.
- There are certain items you need to have regardless of where you ride out a hurricane. A disaster supply kit is a useful tool when you evacuate as well as making you as safe as possible in your home. Some items to consider for your disaster supply kit include water, non-perishable food, first-aid kit, medications, blankets, pillows, clothing, toiletries/hygiene items, special items for babies or the elderly, flashlight and batteries, battery-operated radio, fully-charged cell phone and extra battery, traditional/non-cordless telephone, cash and credit cards, keys, important documents, pet care items, and lastly, make sure vehicle fuel tanks are filled. It is wise to place homeowners' insurance papers and other important papers in a waterproof safe or a Ziploc bag. If you leave your home, take those important papers with you.
- If you are a Town resident, you are connected to the Town water supply and will still be able to use water and flush the toilet during a power outage. PLEASE be very conservative with your water usage. For example, do not flush the toilet unnecessarily.
- Some hazards to consider after a storm are floods, downed trees and power lines, etc. Stay out of the water, don't walk or drive through flood waters. Also, for your own safety, the entire waterfront area will be closed until the water recedes, debris is clear and the Town makes a proper assessment of any damage.
- Look out for your neighbors. If you have elderly or disabled neighbors, lend them a hand if you are able.