

# Storm Season Safety & The Benefits of Assisted Living

A quick overview of safety measures and assistance available to assisted living residents – before, during, and after a storm strikes.

## *Could an assisted living community offer the best protection?*

For seniors living alone, the thought of having to evacuate, prepare for, or endure a severe storm can be overwhelming, especially when loved ones don't live nearby. Older adults with healthcare needs are at even greater risk. Consider the benefits of a short-term assisted living stay during an active storm season.



**Resident Safety Checks** – Assisted living residents receive multiple safety checks each day, performed by community staff.



**24/7 Staffing & Monitoring** – Even during stormy weather, assisted living communities are staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to ensure resident needs are met.



**Secured Building** – Assisted living communities offer residents a secured building and grounds, with emergency lighting and fire prevention measures in place.



**Communication** – Residents and families receive timely, direct, and consistent communication of vital information from community staff throughout a storm response.



**Emergency Supplies** – Assisted living communities stock essential supplies and distribute resources to residents should an emergency arise.



**Alternative Power** – Communities explore alternative power sources that can be accessed or mobilized quickly in an emergency. (Availability can vary by community/location.)



**Approved Evacuation Plan** – Communities maintain an approved evacuation plan with oversight, staffing, resources, and safe transportation to alternative sites of care if there is an extreme threat to resident safety and/or the community.



**Storm Recovery Response** – Assisted living communities manage the storm recovery response by:

- Negotiating with insurance companies
- Securing bids for repairs
- Procuring contractors
- Restoring power
- Replenishing supplies



**Priority Site** – Assisted living communities are recognized as priority sites when a large-scale emergency response is needed.



**Support Team** – Emergency preparedness measures are initiated by community staff; the responsibility doesn't fall solely on the senior or caregiver.



**Storm Season Respite Stay** – Assisted living communities offer short-term respite stay options that provide guests with accessible support and the same amenities and services as residents.



**Invaluable Peace of Mind** – Families can experience peace of mind over panic, knowing their loved one is well cared for and surrounded by a network of support.



Alleviate seasonal stress for yourself or your loved one—  
let us help you prepare for the unexpected.

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