

## AFTER THE HURRICANE

Keep listening to the radio for local news and information. The Government Information Service (GIS) will be forwarding official bulletins from the Department of Meteorology to all local radio stations as they receive them. Here are some of the local radio station frequencies:

### AM RADIO

1300 Voice of Sint Maarten

### FM RADIO

91.9 Island 92 – Philipsburg  
93.3 Caribbean Radio Inter. - Philipsburg  
94.7 Mix 94.7 – Philipsburg  
96.3 Oasis 96.3 – Philipsburg  
98.1 Pearl FM – Philipsburg  
99.9 Choice FM – Philipsburg  
101.1 Laser 101 – Philipsburg  
102.7 Voice of St. Maarten – Philipsburg  
105.5 Tropixx 105.5 – Philipsburg  
106.1 Radio Transat – Marigot  
107.9 GEM Radio Network - Philipsburg

Once the hurricane danger period has passed, the Dean of the Medical Sciences campus will decide what date AUC will be ready to re-open for classes. This date will then be posted around the campus, emailed to all students, and issued to the local newspaper and radio stations.

Check in with family and friends by posting a message on Facebook, calling them using a University phone, or emailing them.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact Safety & Security  
(721) 545-2298 Ext. 404-1257 or  
email [security@aucmed.edu](mailto:security@aucmed.edu)

## EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

### ISLAND

General Emergency Number . . . . . 911  
Police . . . . . 911, or dial 542-2222  
Ambulance . . . . . 912, or dial 542-2111  
Fire Department . . . . . 919  
Airport Fire Department. . . . . 545-4222  
Philipsburg Fire Department. . . . . 542-6001  
Hospital . . . . . 910, or dial 543-1111  
Electricity/GEBE . . . . . 544-3100

### AUC

Mr. Neville Greenaway . . . . . 587-7373  
Mr. Isaac Hernandez. . . . . 587-6660  
AUC Main Number. . . . . 545-2298  
AUC Security Center. . . . . 545-0619

### PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT

Dr. Hidde Deketh (Physician) . . . 559-0444 or 520-1509  
Safety & Security Supervisor . . . . . 588-4018  
AUC Mental Health Emergency . . . . . 587-6661

### Please visit these web sites to find out more about Caribbean weather and hurricane safety:

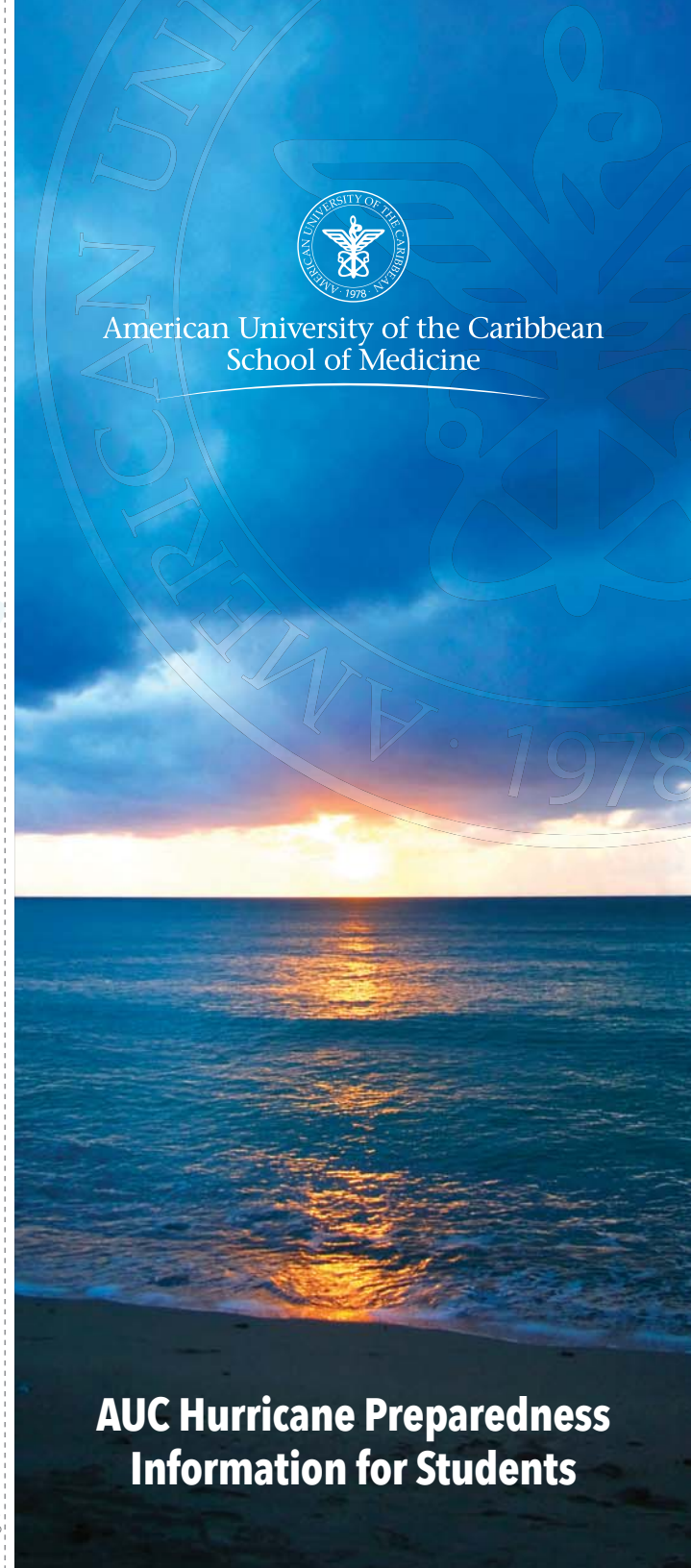
CDEMA Hurricane Preparedness Tips:  
[http://cdema.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=335&Itemid=154](http://cdema.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=335&Itemid=154)

NOAA National Hurricane Center Awareness:  
<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php>

CDC Hurricane Preparedness:  
<http://emergency.cdc.gov/disasters/hurricanes/>

FEMA Hurricane Page:  
<http://www.ready.gov/hurricanes>

American Red Cross Hurricane Page:  
<http://www.redcross.org/prepare/disaster/hurricane>



American University of the Caribbean  
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**AUC Hurricane Preparedness  
Information for Students**

## HURRICANE SEASON

Hurricane season officially starts on June 1st. It is important to realize that in the event of a hurricane you may not have a lot of time to prepare. This pamphlet aims at giving you some useful information to help you ready yourself for a hurricane emergency.

During a tropical storm AUC will provide a shelter with limited services. In the event of a hurricane, AUC will function as a shelter for students, staff and faculty with support staffing and basic food staples for extended periods. The buildings here at AUC have been specifically designed with hurricane safety in mind. We strongly urge any students living in water front locations, or areas prone to flooding, to come and stay on campus if a hurricane is approaching. The worst affected areas will be:

Beacon Hill  
Point Pirouette  
Simpson Bay  
ALL COASTAL AREAS

If there is enough time, we recommend that people with small children evacuate the island. AUC will liaise with Princess Juliana Airport and inform students of any flight and evacuation plans if a major hurricane is expected to affect the island.

The auditorium, the apartments, and small group rooms in Bldg 2 have been designated as hurricane shelter areas. All other areas will be out-of-bounds for the duration of the shelter-in-place.

## OFF-CAMPUS HURRICANE SHELTERS

Christian Fellowship Church (Cole Bay)  
Ph. 544-3943

Leonard Connor School (Cape Bay)  
Ph. 544-5246

Salvation Army (Cole Bay)  
Ph. 544-5424

Allan C. Halley Community Centre (Simpson Bay)

## MORE TO KNOW

If you choose to stay at AUC, please keep the following things in mind:

- Registered students and their families are welcome to shelter on campus.
- Report to the campus before curfews are in effect or winds reach 40 mph.
- Report directly to Building 2 for registration.
- No matter how secure the school is, water will be everywhere, so please wear appropriate clothing and footwear and walk with caution.
- Pets are allowed in the receiving area of Bldg 2. However, kennels and food must be provided by the owner.
- A limit of 1 bag (for clothes and belongings) per person will be applied.
- Marshals will be assigned to each area. Cooperation with the marshals is expected of all shelter residents.
- Once the campus has been locked down, your name will be registered, and you will be required to stay inside Bldg 2 or in a designated on campus apartment.
- Please bring with you three days of non-perishable food and water you have set aside for the storm.
- There will be no cleaning staff on-campus, so each person will be required to clean up their own rubbish and mess.

## WHAT TO PACK FOR AUC

*NOTE: 1 bag per person limit*

- One complete change of clothing and footwear (keep in mind that the floors will be very wet).
- Food and drink (AUC has basic staples and water stored for extended storms, but you should also bring along things that you like, particularly if the storm will be short in duration or be only a tropical storm).
- Pillows and blankets.
- Toiletries: toothbrush, liquid soap, deodorant, toilet paper and moist towelettes.

## WHAT TO PACK CONTINUED

- Toilet paper/ paper towels.
- Battery operated radio and extra batteries.
- Flashlight (not candles) and batteries.
- At least 3 days worth of non-perishable food (ready-to-eat canned meats, canned fruits, dried fruits and nuts) AND a non-electric can opener.
- Prescription drugs.
- Books, playing cards and games.
- Important documents stored in watertight plastic bag or container.
- Cash and credit cards.  
*(as ATM's may not work for some time)*
- Fill every plastic container you have with water and ensure you have at least a 3 day supply (at least 1 gallon per person, per day). Also, put a large container of water next to your toilet.

## WHAT TO STORE AT HOME

- First Aid Kit.
- Garbage Bags and tape.
- Insect repellent.
- Freeze smaller containers of water to have extra ice and leave these containers in the freezer and refrigerator.

## IF YOU STAY AT HOME

- Monitor the local radio stations and do not go outdoors until the hurricane has passed the area. Do not go out in the eye of the hurricane, as it will start again very suddenly.
- Put important documents and pictures in sealed, watertight containers. Keep some cash on-hand.
- If you have damage to your roof or windows, go to the smallest enclosed space with no windows in your home and cover yourself with blankets – **DO NOT LEAVE YOUR HOME DURING THE STORM.**