



Bahamas Relief Efforts



On this page, you will find just a few of the many organizations lending a helping hand during the disaster left behind in the Bahamas due to Hurricane Dorian. Do your due diligence and pick the way that you feel most comfortable to do your part to help those in need.

There are also some organizations mentioned in the article on pg. 2 and see pg. 9.

If you have an event coming up to help out or if you are part of an organization that is helping that is not listed, please feel free to contact us and we will do our best to promote what you are doing in future

issues of our newspaper. Contact us at observereditor@comcast.net.

Thank you to everyone who is stepping up in this endeavor. Our heart goes out to those affected by this powerful storm.

The Bahamas sets up website page for relief efforts

The Bahamas was pummeled by Dorian and desperately needs the South Florida community's aid. There are various organizations that have stepped up to make a difference, either by having supply drives and finding a way, via plane or ship, to take the items to the islands, or by asking for monetary donations. Now, the island has set up its own page on its website to address the disaster that has befallen them and to

ask for support. You can find the site at www.bahamas.com/relief. There, they give a list of items they are seeking as well as links to ways that you can provide financial support.

On the new page, they said, "The Government and people of the Islands of The Bahamas appreciate the outpouring of concern and offers of generous support in the wake of the hurricane. The best way to support the relief and recovery effort is through a monetary contribution to one

of our trusted partners or a donation of specific goods identified at the bottom of [the website page]."

They added, "This page has been established as a resource center to help aide many in need. We will continue to update it with the most relevant information so we can provide the necessary assistance to the many who are willing to lend a helping hand. We are eternally grateful for all the support."

Bahamas Paradise helps those affected by hurricane

Bahamas Paradise Cruise Line, headquartered in Deerfield Beach, with its cruise ships in Palm Beach, have partnered with an organization called Neighbors For Neighbors to help raise money for those affected by Hurricane Dorian. As the company did during Hurricane Irma, they are also evacuating

some residents affected by the storm using their cruise ship the Grand Celebration. For more information on Neighbors for Neighbors and how you can help, visit <https://neighbors4neighbors.org/dorian-relief>. For info. on Bahamas Paradise, visit www.bahamasparadisecruise.com.

Habitat for Humanity of Broward accepts donations

Habitat for Humanity of Broward is now accepting donations from the public to help communities across the Bahamas affected by Hurricane Dorian's destruction.

"Our hearts and prayers go out to the victims of Hurricane Dorian. We are accepting donations to support relief efforts for families devastated in the Bahamas," said Nancy Robin, Habitat Broward CEO & executive director. "Together, we can help restore their lives and homes."

To send relief now, please drop off in-kind donations to the Habitat Broward ReStore, located at 505 W. Broward Blvd. in Ft. Lauderdale. Only new items in their original sealed packaging can be accepted

for safety reasons.

Essential items needed are:

- Canned goods and can openers
- Mosquito spray and sunscreen
- Disposable diapers
- First Aid items
- Personal hygiene products
- Flashlights and batteries

Clothes donations are not being accepted at this time.

For more information about Habitat for Humanity of Broward, call 954-396-3030, visit www.habitatbroward.org or check them out on Facebook at www.facebook.com/HabitatBroward.

Brightline partners with Tropic Ocean Airways and Blue Tide Marine for Bahamas Relief Efforts

Brightline is partnering with Tropic Ocean Airways and Blue Tide Marine to transport much needed supplies to those devastated by Hurricane Dorian in The Bahamas. Beginning on Sept. 4, they were ready to accept donations.

The South Florida community can drop off water, food, medicine, generators and other items at Brightline stations in Miami, Ft.

Lauderdale and West Palm Beach. Tropic Ocean Airways will ensure all supplies are promptly delivered to the most impacted regions in The Bahamas. The company calls on its riders and all residents to carefully review the donations request list at www.globalempowermentmission.org/hurricane-dorianto to ensure only the most needed supplies are dropped off at Brightline stations.

"The entire South Florida region has a special relationship with The Bahamas and our hearts go out to all of those who have been impacted," said Brightline president Patrick Goddard. "Our team has a strong desire to help and our service gives us the ability to connect those who are looking to provide much needed supplies to those in need."

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United Way helps during disaster

United Way of Broward County has activated the United Way Hurricane Dorian Fund to help with relief, rebuilding and recovery efforts. You can help victims in the Bahamas and other impacted areas by donating below. Donations will go directly

to supporting response efforts. They will work with local United Ways and nonprofit agencies in the affected areas to support both immediate and long-term recovery needs. Make your online gift through this link: www.UnitedWayBroward.org/HurricaneDorian.

Dr. Brain Rask leads Relief Supply Drive in Pompano

We have just seen the devastation from Hurricane Dorian on the Abacos and Bahamas. Luckily, South Florida was spared but our Bahamian neighbors need our help as soon as possible. Local dentist Brian P. Rask, DMD, PA, who is always known to give back when he can and help the community in many ways has decided to lend a helping hand. He is asking for supplies and is planning on making sure they arrive to the right people in the Bahamas.

He said, "We have been in contact with a pilot from Paradigm Jets who, along with pilots from other private jet companies, will be flying supplies over to the Abacos and Grand Bahama. They will make sure that all donations will get into the right hands. Unfortunately, at this point all airports are flooded or impassible. As the water recedes and debris is cleared, Paradigm Jets has been given clearance to fly supplies in and is coordinating with other private aviation companies who are volunteering their time and planes as well."

If you have supplies from the hurricane that you did not use or if you would like to purchase some to help out, drop them off to him at 1 NE 23 Ave., Suite 2, in Pompano Beach anytime on Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Supplies needed immediately are the

following:

- Shoes (child and adult)
- Socks
- Clothing
- Work gloves
- Bug spray (pump, not spray)
- Baby wipes
- Diapers
- Personal hygiene products
- Feminine hygiene products
- Soap, bleach and disinfectants
- Water
- Non-perishable food and canned goods
- Band aids/first aid kits
- Hand sanitizer
- Advil/ Tylenol/Motrin
- Tools/shovels/saws
- Tarps/tents
- Batteries and flashlights
- Generators
- And anything else that you can think of that would be immediately needed.

Small and medium boxes are needed as opposed to large boxes to ship supplies as they are easier to pack on planes.

Rask added, "Thank you for your kindness and consideration in helping out the victims who endured the worst of hurricane Dorian."

For more information, contact him at 954-782-1864.



Rotary Club
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Deerfield Beach



International
Montessori
Kids center

HURRICANE DORIAN RELIEF ITEMS

Drop off location, days and hours

Wednesday and Thursday (Sep, 4th and 5th) from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm
602 Anderson Circle, Deerfield Beach FL 33441 (Preschool)

Other Donations:

Rubber Gloves	Latex Gloves	Work Gloves
Clorox	Clorox wipes	Face Masks
Mops	Brooms	Buckets
Cleaning Supplies	Large Garbage Bags	Cleaning Rags
Flashlights	Tarps – all sizes	Shovels
Propane tanks	Portable Grills	Sterno camp stoves
Matches	Lighters	Candles
Coolers	Batteries	Portable Cots
Sheets and Blankets	Pillows	Towels
Hammers	Roof paper	Roofing Nails/Tin
Generators	Portable Cell Phone Charger	ChainSaws

Personal Items:

Feminine Hygiene Products	Adult Diapers	Toothbrush/paste kits
Toilet paper	Paper towels	Personal hygiene
Soap & Shampoo	Detergent	Sunscreen
Diapers	Baby wipes	Baby formula/food

Food:

Canned goods	Can openers	Pet food
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Non-perishable food:

Canned tuna, spam, ham, sardines, chicken, pasta and pasta sauce, soups, rice, grits, flour, sugar, dry cereal, oats, canned fruit & vegetables, seasoning, beans, peanut butter, jelly, mashed potatoes, instant rice, tea bags, crackers, granola, ramen noodles, juices, paper plates, cups, plastic utensils

Cash donations can be sent to the Deerfield Beach Rotary Fund.
PO Box 100 Deerfield Beach FL 33443