



# City of Fall River Massachusetts

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## **Residents Urged to Prepare for Tropical Storm Henri**

**(FALL RIVER, MA- August 20th, 2021)**- As the City of Fall River prepares for the arrival of tropical storm/hurricane Henri, Mayor Paul Coogan and the Fall River Emergency Medical Agency would like to provide residents with these important reminders and updates.

### **Phone Numbers & Contact Information:**

Please call the following numbers with questions or concerns:

- Department of Public Works (for downed trees or branches): 508-324-2760
- Mayor's Office: 508-324-2600
- National GRID: 1-800-465-1212
- Verizon: 1-800-VERIZON
- For members of our homeless population in need of shelter, please reach out to the First Step Inn at 134 Durfee St or call 508-679-8001.

Additional emergency shelter is available for anyone who needs it at the Timao Center located at 371 Bay Street.

### **Reminders:**

- Residents should monitor local news for the latest weather advisories.

- Residents should avoid driving or leaving the home as much as possible for the duration of the storm. If residents must leave the home, they should be mindful of localized flooding, particularly in the City's most frequently flooded areas.
- Ahead of the storm, residents should stock up on basic needs including non-perishable food, water, medication, pet food and any other essential items. In case of power outages, residents should charge all devices and consider preparing a cooler with ice if they have any medications that require refrigeration.
- Residents are asked to check on neighbors, particularly those who are elderly or disabled.
- Residents should stay away from any downed or broken power lines.