## Hurricane Preparation Tips

- Individuals and families are encouraged to make an emergency plan.
- Check out www.Ready.gov for disaster kit and evacuation planning tips.
- Your plan should include a place to stay outside of the evacuation area with friends, family, or in a hotel.
- Remember to plan for any special needs of family members.
- South Carolina storm information will be available at www.SCEMD.org.
- Monitor local media during an evacuation; pay attention to emergency alerts via radio and road signs for information about the nearest open shelter in case you need it.
- Emergency shelters may be opened if a hurricane approaches South Carolina; these shelters are meant to be a place of last resort.
- Always take your pets with you.
- When you return home, follow the basic food safety tip: When in doubt, throw it out!
- Remember, never use gas grills or camp stoves in the house.

