

## **Chatham County Board of Commissioners**

124 Bull Street, Savannah, GA 31401

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **CEMA Hosting Free Citizen Hurricane Academy**

Chatham County, GA (July 5, 2019) - With the 2019 hurricane season underway, the Chatham County Emergency Management Agency (CEMA) is hosting a Citizen Hurricane Academy to help residents prepare for whatever the season may bring. This free event, held in collaboration with Memorial Health, will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 20, at Savannah High School, located at 400 Pennsylvania Ave., Savannah, Georgia. Lunch will be provided for those that register online.

Residents will hear from experts, including Meteorologist Bob Bright from the National Weather Service, WTOC's Meteorologist Dave Turley, Chatham County Department of Public Health's Tammi Brown, CEMA's Chelsea Sawyer and Randall Mathews and learn:

- What's in store for the 2019 hurricane season
- How evacuation decisions are made
- Specific steps to prepare financially for a disaster
- How those with disabilities can be added to Chatham County's Hurricane Registry
- Practical information about flood zones and risk
- Hands-only CPR
- Basic skills to keep people with life-threatening injuries alive until first responders arrive

In addition, kids ages 5 to 13 will enjoy fun-filled learning activities at the Children's Workshop, which is being held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. courtesy of Memorial Health Dwaine and Cynthia Willett Children's Hospital of Savannah.

Registration is required. To learn more or register for Chatham County's Hurricane Academy, visit www.chathamemergency.org.

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