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Lee County opens shelters to host evacuees from Florida's east coast

Fort Myers, FL, October 6, 2016 — The Lee County Emergency Operations Center will initiate a 24-hour Partial Activation with select EOC partners at 10 a.m. today in support of opening host shelters for evacuees from Florida's east coast.

There are no evacuations in place for Lee County residents. Lee County is not in the direct path of the hurricane but still could experience some winds and rain associated with the storm.

The State Emergency Operations Center in Tallahassee has directed some Southwest Florida counties to open shelters for evacuees coming from the east coast of Florida. Lee County has declared a local state of emergency to expedite this effort.

The shelters are a general population shelter at Alico Arena, 10501 FGCU Blvd., Fort Myers, and a pet friendly shelter at the Estero Recreation Center, 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd., Estero.