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Lee County Government update on Hurricane Milton

Fort Myers, FL, Oct. 8, 2024 – Lee County has announced that its offices will remain closed Friday, Oct. 11.

The county closed at noon Monday in advance of the storm. Today’s announcement simply extends that closure for the entire week. Reopening announcements will be forthcoming. The county continues its preparation for – and planned response to – Hurricane Milton with key personnel.

Additional updates:

Shelters: The county’s open hurricane evacuation shelters continue to have capacity for more evacuees. Some shelters are more crowded than others. For example, Estero Recreation Center is at 75% capacity, but nearby Hertz Arena has 4,800 spaces available. Get full shelter information at www.leegov.com/storm.

Public transportation: LeeTran fixed route and shuttle transportation assistance will be suspended by 6:30 p.m. today. Visit LeeTran’s social media channels for specific route information. Announcements for resuming services will be forthcoming.

The county asks residents to:

- Get to where you are going to shelter by tonight and remain there Wednesday.
- Do not drive in flooded water. Do not drive Wednesday, if possible.
- Monitor local meteorologists’ reports.
- Sign up for AlertLee.
- Monitor www.leegov.com/storm and Lee County social media channels.
- Call the United Way’s Emergency Information Hotline with questions. Dial 2-1-1 or 239-433-3900.
- Watch today’s update from the Emergency Operations Center on the county’s YouTube channel, www.youtube.com/@LeeCountyFLBOC. You can view it by clicking [here](#).

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