

Stay safe this hurricane season: update your emergency information

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After the storm (Picture by Carolyn Scofield)

When Hurricane Ida pummeled southeast Louisiana in 2021, communications were vital to keeping everyone at Tulane University School of Medicine informed. With hurricane season underway again, now's the time to ensure you're connected to all the ways the School of Medicine and university officials will send out messages.

Email:

Tulane School of Medicine will send emergency information to faculty, staff, and students through Tulane.edu emails. Please ensure you haven't opted out of emails sent via the listserv or the Emma email system. If you're not receiving the weekly Inside Tulane Medicine newsletter on Mondays, you may have opted out of Emma at some point, which means you're missing other important emails from SoM administration. [Go here to opt back in.](#)

TU Alerts:

Tulane will send critical voice, email, and text messages to students, faculty, and staff at on-file telephone numbers and e-mail addresses in an emergency or impending threat. If you have downloaded the Everbridge app, you will also receive a notification from the app. Students, faculty, and staff are automatically enrolled as recipients of TU Alerts through Everbridge. To ensure you receive TU Alerts, please ensure your contact information is current in Gibson. Here's more information about how to [update your info](#). *You will NOT receive text alerts if your cell phone is listed in the home phone field.

Everbridge App:

Everbridge is the university's emergency mass communications system and campus safety app. By downloading the Everbridge app, you will not only be able to receive TU Alerts directly to the app but also utilize several safety features. [Click here for more information.](#)

ALERTUS Notifications

ALERTUS allows the University to send an alert that captures your computer screen with the text of the alert. Users must then acknowledge the alert before returning to their computers. For more information about how to sign up, [click here](#).

The Office of Emergency Preparedness & Response [has more helpful hurricane information](#), including what to pack in an emergency go-bag and other ways to prepare for a storm.

Following the lessons learned from Hurricane Ida, Tulane School of Medicine is better prepared than ever to handle whatever this season might bring. While we hope to get through November 30 without incident, being prepared ensures that we can all stay safe and informed in any situation.