



# Board of County Commissioners

## Okeechobee County

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

#### **Okeechobee County Advisory on HURRICANE MILTON**

As of Thursday, October 10, at 3:00 P.M. Okeechobee County has these important updates:

Okeechobee County has completed initial windshield damage assessments and has teams throughout the community to complete a more in depth damage assessment as a result of Hurricane Milton. Requests made to the state are being filled and additional updates will be provided as those resources become available.

REUNIFICATION PORTAL: Anyone needing assistance locating or connecting with a loved one because of Hurricane Milton can go to <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/contact-and-locate-loved-ones/hurricane-helene-reunification.html>

WASTE MANAGEMENT: Waste Management Services will resume on Friday, 10/10/24. Residents can go to <https://www.wmfloridastorm.com/> to view the modified schedule for this week and next week.

BOIL WATER ADVISORY: The Boil Water Advisory issued by Okeechobee Utility Authority has been lifted.

VOLUNTARY EVACUATION: The Voluntary Evacuation for low lying areas and mobile homes has been discontinued.

SHELTERS: All Shelters, including the General Population, Pet Friendly and Special Needs shelters have closed.

DAMAGE SELF REPORT: Okeechobee County is asking residents to submit photographs of property damage. Please go to <https://crisistrack.juvar.com/public/okeechobeeFL/request.html> to document your property damage.



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**DEBRIS REMOVAL:** The County approved debris removal contractor is assessing the needs of the county and will begin debris removal soon. Please separate vegetation, appliances, and construction debris in separate piles. Additional requirements apply and can be found at [www.okeechobeecountyfl.gov](http://www.okeechobeecountyfl.gov).

Okeechobee COUNTY OFFICES will reopen to the public Friday, 10/11/24. Okeechobee County Parks will reopen as they are assessed for safety.

The Judicial Center and Clerk of Courts will reopen Monday, 10/14/24.

Okeechobee County Public Schools will reopen Tuesday, 10/15/24.

A DISASTER RECOVERY INFORMATION CALL LINE is open at 863-763-3536 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

For continued updates follow us on: Facebook: Okeechobee Emergency-Management or Okeechobee County Government; Okeechobee County Website: [okeechobeecountyfl.gov](http://okeechobeecountyfl.gov)

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