



Be Prepared

The weather is rolling in this week and panic may be setting in. Some families along the gulf coast are still recovering from Harvey. IF weather is projected to hit your area, please consider the following as you watch the news and prepare your families, friends, and neighbors.

1. Know what you are watching and who you are listening to!

Media is all about the hype! Make sure the information you are getting is accurate and relevant; we suggest monitoring the following sources to get accurate and current information.

NHC - [Hurricane Center](#)

DPS - [Texas Department of Public Safety](#)

*Pay attention to your local emergency management - their number one priority is to keep you safe - listen to them!

2. If your area is under orders to evacuate, abide by them!

If you are unable to evacuate or need assistance in doing so, contact local authorities to seek advice and resources. Be sure to register with STEAR (2-1-1) again this year if you need assistance during evacuation, by dialing 2-1-1 from your phone or visiting www.dps.texas.gov/dem/stear/public.htm.

*Allow the first responders to help handle emergencies that couldn't be prevented.

3. Start preparations around the house

- Clean out storm drains and remove any debris from the yard that might clog it.
- Trim any dead limbs that might become projectiles in heavy winds.
- Treat fire ants on the property. These guys become satanic rafts of evil in flood waters.
- Have a week's worth of medication on hand and know where vital records are kept.
- Keep your gas tank full.
- Catch up on the laundry.
- Stock up on canned goods, pet supplies and water. Enough for a week.
- Catch up on chores that require power and internet service.

Do what you can to prepare yourself and your family, it may blow over, but if it doesn't you will be glad you took the time to prepare. Hurricane Harvey definitely taught us Texans to not underestimate the power of a storm!

Our thoughts are with the teams deployed to the Carolinas in support of Hurricane Florence. TEXSAR is prepared for deployment across state lines but is also considering the help that could be needed here in the coming days as the team is already on Standby. Thank you to everyone who continues to support TEXSAR through times of need.



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TEXSAR

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 22nd

5:30 PM Registration Opens

**Phillips Event Center
8140 Exchange Drive
Austin, Texas 78754**

Search Party is just ONE WEEK away! Thank you to everyone who has helped make this event a success. We truly appreciate your continued support for TEXSAR. [If you have not purchased your ticket please do so ASAP!](#)

Have you checked out the Online Auction? [Get your bid in while you can!](#)

We can't wait to see everyone! This year's live auction is going to be one for the books. Ever wanted to go on an exotic hunt across the world? Available exclusively at the Search Party Live Auction will be a one of a kind Nilgai Antelope hunt that allows you to stay right here in Texas! The hunt is valued up to \$4,000! Don't miss out, [get your ticket today!](#)

Thank you to a few of our Search Party Sponsors!

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North Texas Giving Day

Thursday, September 20, is North Texas Giving Day. It's the one day out of the year businesses in North Texas take a moment to give back to their local nonprofits. The North Texas Division is asking for your help! Share! Share! Share!

Share the Social Media posts or share the following via email or text with your networks in the area.

As you may already know, I am a proud member of TEXSAR - Texas Search & Rescue, a professional member organization that strives to help bring missing loved ones back to their families, expand rescue and support services to our community in times of extreme weather and disasters, and assist law enforcement in recovery of evidence.

We are thrilled at the number of friends and family who have already scheduled their North Texas Giving Day gift that will benefit TEXSAR and I am hoping you can help us reach our fundraising goal by [pre-scheduling your gift now](#). Your generosity will help TEXSAR to continue deploying locally and across the state when needed, especially now with numerous storms churning in the Atlantic and more expected to come. Our teams here in North Texas and across the state are prepped and on standby whenever we are called to deploy, and your gift will help supplement some of our immediate needs in the coming weeks and months.

Please consider [pre-scheduling your gift now](#) and on North Texas Giving Day, September 20th, your donation could be amplified with bonus matching funds that will help us even more!

Thank you in advance for your support!

