

Mitigation specialists invite all Texans to talk preparedness June 18-23

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AUSTIN, Texas – Join the more than 41,000 Texans who have learned how to prepare their homes for natural disasters from FEMA mitigation specialists at local home improvement stores.

Hurricane season began this month, making it a great time to meet with a FEMA expert and learn how to prepare for extreme weather. Our mitigation specialists will provide tips and techniques on how to repair and build hazard-resistant homes using proven methods to prevent future flood damage.

Specialists are eager to meet with anyone who has questions about disaster preparedness, even if Hurricane Harvey did not affect them. Topics covered include making a family disaster plan, disaster supply kits and the importance of flood insurance. FEMA mitigation specialists will be available at these stores:

County	Locations	Dates	Hours
Harris	Lowe's (Store #2822) 20902 Kuykendahl Road, Spring, 77379	Mon. June 18 Tues-June 19-Sat. June 23	11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.



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Harris	Home Depot (Store #6561) 6850 S. Fry Road, Houston, 77494	Mon. June 18-Sat. June 23	8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Harris	Home Depot (Store #569) 13400 Market St., Houston, 77015	Mon. June 18 Tues-June 19-Sat. June 23	11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Hidalgo	McAllen Home Depot (Store #506) 409 N. Jackson Road, Pharr, 78577	Mon. June 18 Tues. June 19-Sat. June 23	11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Refugio	Parker Building Supply 706 S. Alamo St., Refugio, 78377	Mon. June 18-Sat. June 23	8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

For Texas disaster mitigation information, visit www.fema.gov/texas-disaster-mitigation. For additional information about mitigation, visit www.fema.gov/what-mitigation. For information on protecting properties from disaster, visit www.fema.gov/protect-your-property.

For more information on Hurricane Harvey and Texas recovery, visit the FEMA Hurricane Harvey disaster web page at www.fema.gov/disaster/4332, the FEMA Harvey Facebook page at www.facebook.com/FEMAHarvey, the FEMA Region 6 Twitter account at twitter.com/FEMARegion6 or the Texas Division of Emergency Management website at www.dps.texas.gov/dem/.



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