



Manatee County Special Needs Program

WHAT IS TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE?

The Manatee County Special Needs Program is a two-part program:

(1) transportation assistance and (2) the medical special needs shelter.

Transportation assistance is available to any Manatee County resident who needs a ride to a general shelter. You must register for transportation assistance to a general shelter. We recommend that you apply early in the year, before hurricane season, to make sure that you get listed in the program.

Transportation assistance is a free service but **you must register each year, well before an emergency event.** Should there be an emergency requiring an evacuation, Manatee County will pick you up in a bus or handy bus and take you to a general shelter.

Remember to bring your medicine, medical supplies, clothing, cots, blankets, and other personal items with you to the shelter. Public school buildings are used for the general shelter. There are no private rooms and bedding many not be provided so be sure to bring your own supplies.

To apply for transportation assistance to a general shelter

Fill out the printed form and mail it back to:

Manatee County Emergency Management
PO Box 1000
Bradenton, Florida 34206