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## **Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Sept. 11, 2020**



September marks the peak of hurricane season, with Sept. 10th statistically the peak day. September is also recognized as [National Preparedness Month](#), promoting family and community disaster planning to ensure Floridians are as fully prepared as possible during this time.

This hurricane season has already been extremely active—the first in recorded history in which 13 tropical storms and four hurricanes formed before September—and experts predict more bad weather to come. That is why I am urging all Floridians to remain vigilant and doublecheck their hurricane preparedness supplies now.

As we all continue to fight the spread of COVID-19 and tropical systems continue to threaten Florida, it is more important than ever to have a plan set in place now. Disasters don't wait for pandemics to pass before making landfall, and that is why I am asking all Floridians to reevaluate their preparedness plans and review our [2020 Hurricane Preparedness Guide](#).

Whether you are new to the Sunshine State, or a fifth generation Floridian like me, there are helpful tips and resources for everyone in my Hurricane Guide to help keep your family safe and prepared before disaster strikes.

By having a preparedness plan set in place now, we can weather the storm together and that makes us a Stronger, Safer Florida.



## **In The News**

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## Protecting Floridians

**VIDEO: Attorney General Moody Partners with 211 to Help Floridians Struggling with Opioid Abuse**



Attorney General Ashley Moody and 211 are teaming up to help Floridians struggling with opioid abuse. The partnership comes as preliminary reports suggest the coronavirus pandemic may be exacerbating the opioid crisis. 211 is a free, telephone-based service offered by nonprofit and public agencies throughout Florida and the United States providing confidential information and referral services. Through the new partnership, 211 will share resources from Attorney General Moody's website [DoseOfRealityFL.com](https://DoseOfRealityFL.com)—a comprehensive statewide resource to help Floridians fight back against the opioid epidemic. [DoseOfRealityFL.com](https://DoseOfRealityFL.com), in turn, will point visitors to 211's plethora of local resources.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "This partnership is designed to help Floridians, in their greatest time of need, access vital and life-saving resources. I am proud to partner with the dedicated public servants at 211 as we join forces to combat and end the deadly opioid crisis plaguing our state. If you are seeking help, please do not hesitate to dial 211 and for a comprehensive view of ways you can join our fight to end the opioid crisis, visit [DoseOfRealityFL.com](https://DoseOfRealityFL.com)." [Read More](#)

## Events

This week, Attorney General Ashley Moody visited the Assessment Center for Hillsborough County Family Prevention Services Collaborative. The Center houses child welfare workers who provide counseling, behavioral therapy, mental health assessments and other services for children and family members—identifying and dealing with family issues before they escalate to children being removed from homes. Hillsborough County leads the state in the number of children placed in foster care.



Today, we remember the lives tragically taken 19 years ago. May we never forget the law enforcement officers and first responders who put their lives on the line answering the call of duty, and always remember the strength of our nation when we stand as one.

