

## **USPA Nationwide Security Advises Coastal** Businesses in Savannah to Prepare for Hurricanes, Even When They Miss

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SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, USA, September 19, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Living along the coast of Savannah is undeniably a privilege. However, as history has shown, the threat of hurricanes and tropical storms is an ever-present reality. While it may seem counterintuitive to prepare for



hurricanes that may not directly impact Savannah, it is crucial for businesses along the coastline to recognize that flooding can still occur as a result of storms veering out to sea. By taking proactive measures to safeguard their establishments, businesses can mitigate potential risks and ensure their long-term sustainability.



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Brian Fitzgibbons, Director of Fire Watch

Examining this historical data, it becomes evident that even when hurricanes bypass Savannah, they can still generate significant flooding along the coastline. For instance, Hurricane Dorian in 2019 veered away from Savannah but caused substantial flooding due to its strong storm surge. Similarly, Tropical Storm Hermine in 2016 missed Savannah, yet its outer bands unleashed heavy rainfall, leading to localized flooding.

One of the key reasons why coastal businesses in Savannah should prepare for hurricanes, even if they miss

the city, is the unpredictable nature of these storms. Meteorological forecasts have improved significantly, but there remains inherent uncertainty when it comes to tracking hurricanes. Storms can change course unexpectedly, leaving areas previously deemed safe vulnerable to

flooding and other related hazards.

While a direct hit from a hurricane would undoubtedly have severe consequences for the region, it is crucial not to overlook the secondary effects that can occur even when a storm bypasses Savannah. Storm surges, heavy rainfall, and strong winds can still impact the coastline, causing flooding, property damage, and infrastructure disruption. Businesses that fail to prepare for these secondary effects could face significant financial losses and potentially even closure.

Protecting Business Interests with <u>Fire Watch Services in Savannah</u>. Coastal businesses in Savannah have a vested interest in protecting their establishments and ensuring the safety of their employees and customers. By proactively preparing for hurricanes, regardless of their direct impact, businesses can minimize potential damage, reduce downtime, and maintain continuity of operations. Investing in flood protection measures, emergency <u>fire watch</u>, implementing emergency response plans, and securing comprehensive insurance coverage are all essential steps to safeguarding their long-term sustainability.

Preparing for hurricanes is not solely the responsibility of individual businesses. It is a collective effort that requires collaboration and community resilience. Local authorities, business associations, and emergency management agencies should work hand in hand to disseminate information, provide guidance, and coordinate preparedness efforts. By fostering a culture of preparedness and sharing resources, the entire coastal community can effectively mitigate the impacts of hurricanes, even when they miss Savannah.

While it may be tempting for businesses in Savannah, Georgia to breathe a sigh of relief when hurricanes veer away from the city, they must remain vigilant and proactive. The threat of flooding along the coastline, even from storms that miss Savannah, is a reality that cannot be ignored. By heeding historical data, acknowledging the unpredictability of storms, and taking necessary precautions, such as fire watch, businesses can protect their interests, ensure their long-term sustainability, and contribute to the overall resilience of the coastal community. Let us embrace preparedness and establish a safer future for all.

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