

Voluntary Evacuation Orders Issued in City of Ventura

Heavy rains are predicted Monday night through Tuesday in the City of Ventura and surrounding communities. In anticipation of the forecasted storm, the Ventura Police Department and public safety agencies throughout Ventura County are encouraging residents to prepare.

Voluntary evacuation orders are in effect in the following areas:

- Westside: All areas east of Cedar Street, East of Cameron Street, North of the City limits (including the Dakota tract)
- Downtown: Poli Street North from Cedar to Seaward Avenue
- Midtown: Foothill Road and areas North from Seaward Avenue to Kimball Road.

Voluntary Evacuation orders are issued when:

- Residents should begin preparing for a potential mandatory evacuation order to be issued.
- The threat to lives is not yet imminent.
- There is potential for rapidly changing conditions to develop into a serious threat.
- Residents should prepare personal belongings including pets and livestock for evacuation.
- Advance measures should be taken to prevent harm to individuals with mobility issues or other types of access and functional needs.

An evacuation shelter has been set up at Ventura College in the Small Gymnasium located at 4667 Telegraph Road in Ventura.

Residents are encouraged to prepare by reviewing the following action items:

- **Review [evacuation plans](#).** The Ventura Police Department has provided evacuation maps to help residents safely evacuate neighborhoods. Residents are encouraged to review plans and follow the directional signage indicated on the maps during an evacuation.
- **Sign-up** to receive "[VC Alert](#)" mobile messages by contacting VC Alert Hotline at (805) 648-9283 or visiting www.vcalert.org. Subscribers will receive emergency notifications such as evacuation notices specific to their neighborhood.
- **Make sure extra supplies** are on hand at home, including: a flashlight, water, food, personal medical supplies, filled prescriptions and a charged smartphone with internet access in case local roads are temporarily closed.
- **Visit www.vcemergency.com** for up to date information on road closures and evacuations.
- **Sand and Sand Bags** are available for Ventura residents at 336 Sanjon Road and the Poinsettia Pavilion lower parking lot located at 3451 Foothill Road.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org