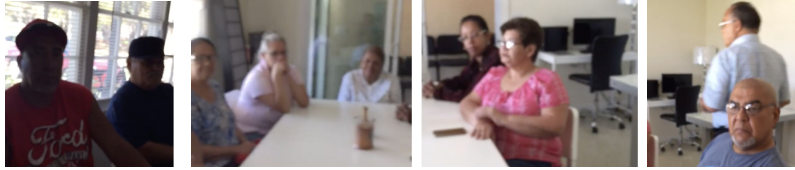


Kissimmee Community Report Housing and Emergency Shelter Survey



Central Florida Florida Disaster Resilience Initiative Phase 1 Stage 2 2019



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Surveying Completed

Five Mission Critical Functions Surveys and thirty five Housing and Emergency Services Surveys were collected in the Census Block Groups indicated in Table 5. Residents of the Marsden Meadows public housing complex and the Taylor Apartments were among those surveyed. One respondent was homeless.

Table 5. Number of Respondents by Census Block Group

Census Blocks highlighted in Blue are in Kissimmee Census Tracts. Those that are not Highlighted are in neighboring communities, or no address was reported on the survey.

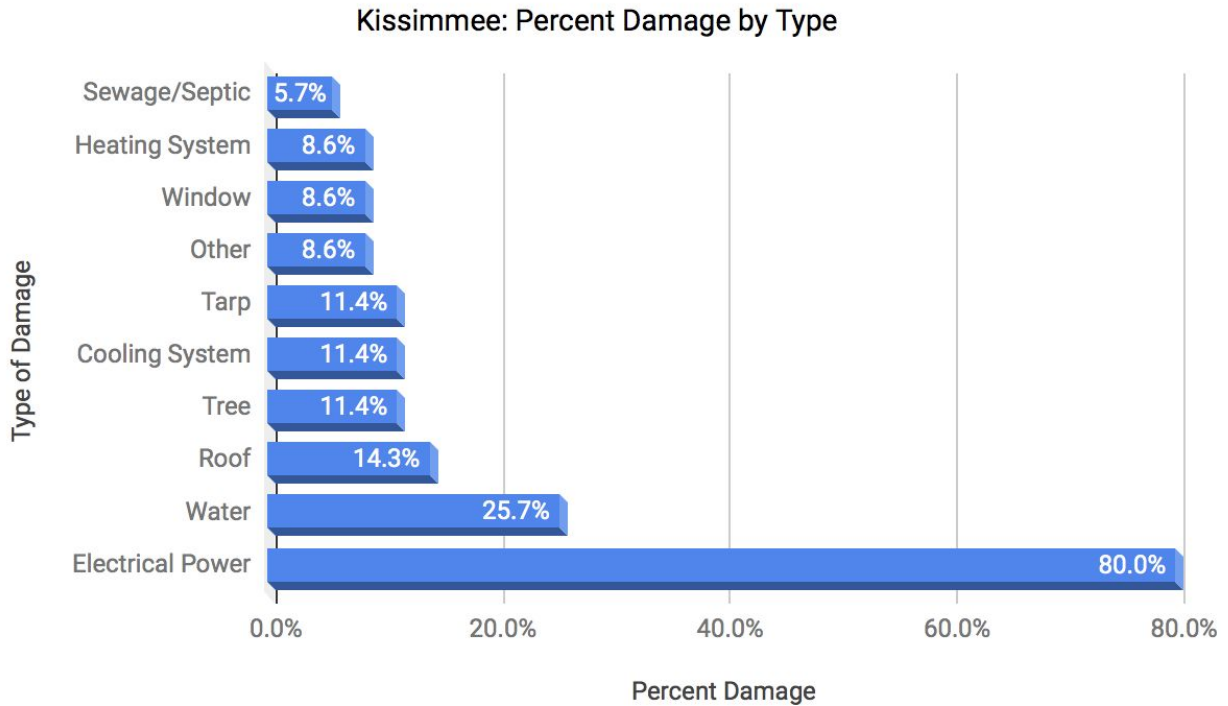
Census Block Group	Number of Respondents Mission Critical Functions	Number of Respondents Housing & Emergency Shelter
121050125041		1
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120950164061		1
120950170111		1
120970408041		1
120970409022	1	1
120970415001		1
120970416004	1	1
120970418002		1
120970420001	1	1
120970421001		4
120970422001		1
120970422003		1
120970427021		1
No Address Reported	2	18
Total	5	35



Housing and Emergency Shelter Survey

Type of damage to homes after Hurricane Irma: Of the 35 respondents to the Housing and Emergency Shelter Survey, 80.0% reported electrical power failure. Water damage was reported in 25.7% of responding households. Although 14.3% of respondents had roof damage, only 11.4% reported that they had tarps on their roofs.

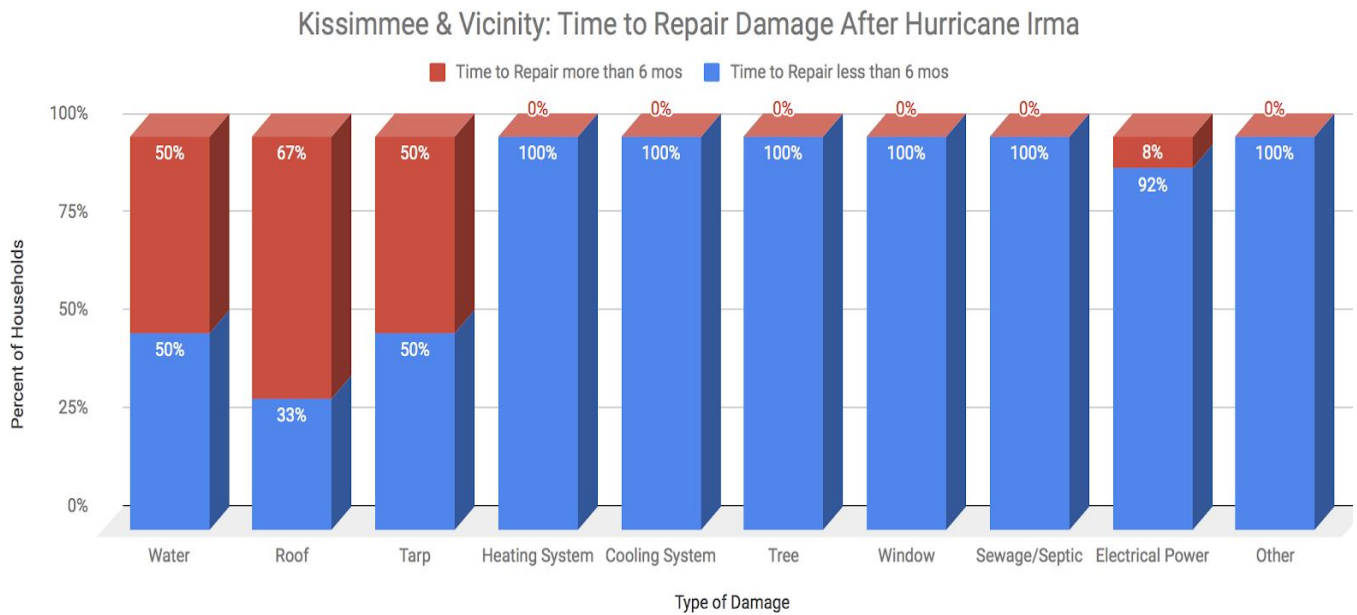
Graph 2. Housing and Emergency Shelter Survey Damage Reported



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Time to complete repairs after Hurricane Irma: Most respondents reported that they were able to repair the damage to their homes within 6 months. The graph below shows that very few households experienced damage other than electrical power outage in Kissimmee. However, the types of damage sustained that in some cases took over 6 months to repair were: electrical power outage, water damage, roof damage, and a tarp on the roof.

Graph 3.

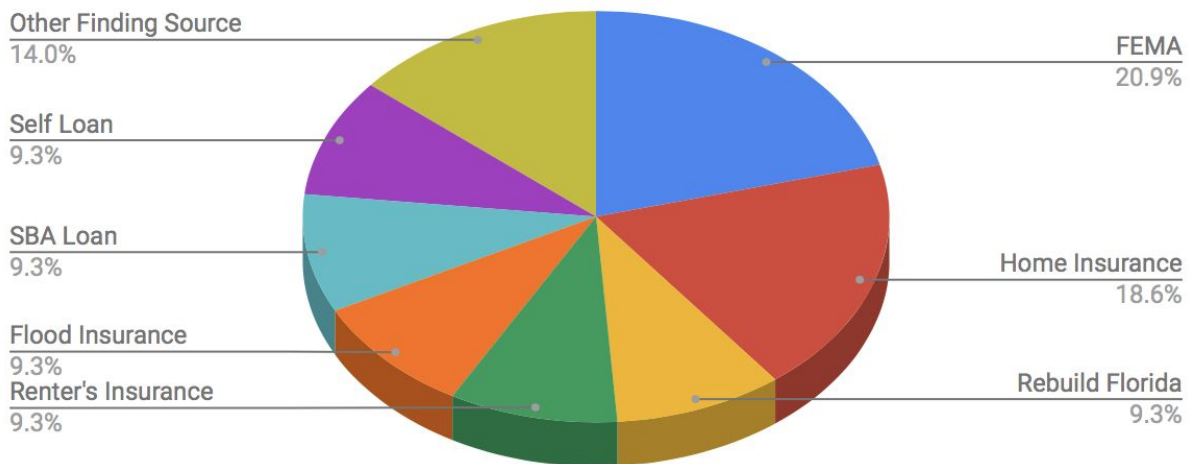


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Funding Repairs: FEMA (20.9%) and Home Insurance (18.6%) were the top sources of funds that Kissimmee residents used to repair damage after Hurricane Irma. Unspecified “Other Funding Sources” (14.0%) were the next most frequent source of funds used by most respondents to affect repairs. Rebuild Florida, Renter’s Insurance, Flood Insurance, SBA Loans and SELF loans were the source of funding for 9.8% of respondents each.

Graph 4.

Kissimmee: Funding Source for Repairs During Hurricane Irma Recovery

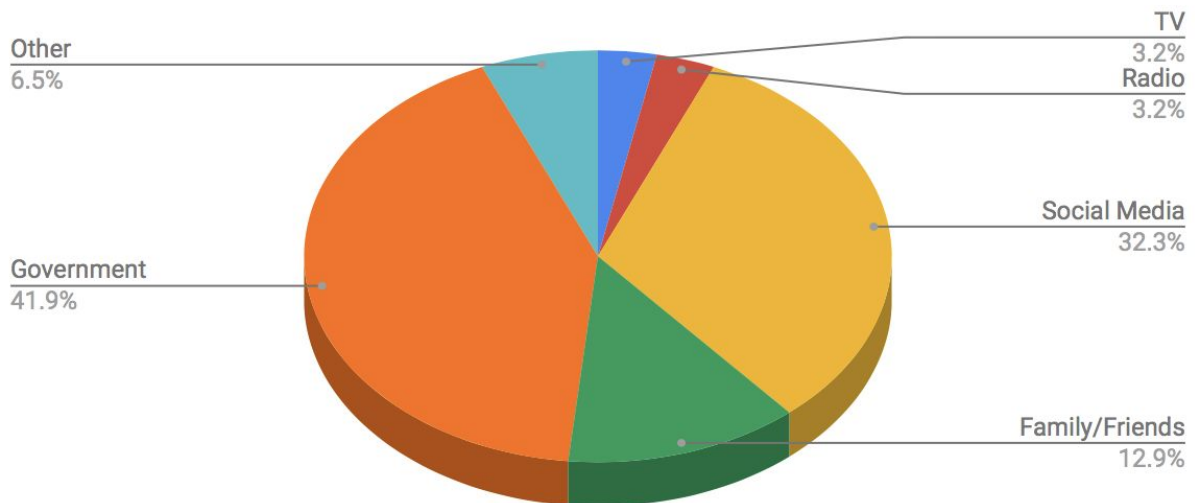


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The two most consulted sources of information reported by respondents were Government sources (41.9%) and Social Media (32.3%). Family and Friends provided information to 12.9% of respondents, followed by Unspecified “Other” Sources, TV (3.2%) and Radio (3.2%).

Graph 5.

Kissimmee: Source of Information About Funding During Hurricane Irma Recovery



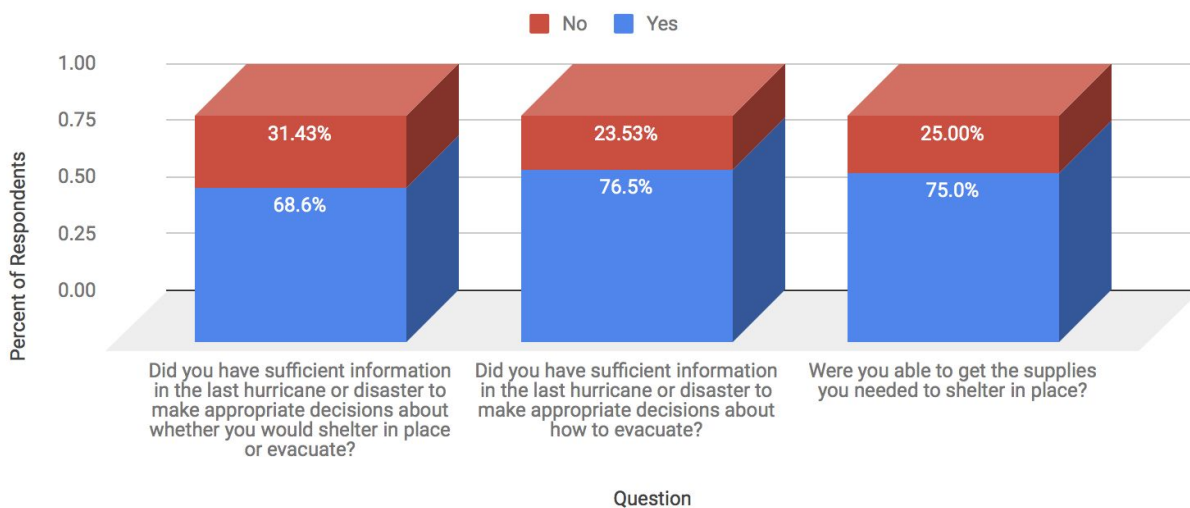
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Preparedness Questions

Securing Information and Supplies: With reference to their experience with Hurricane Irma, slightly over two-thirds of respondents (68.6%) said they had sufficient information to make a decision to shelter in place or evacuate. Approximately 75% of respondents said they had the information they needed to know how to evacuate and that they were able to secure the supplies they needed.

Graph 6.

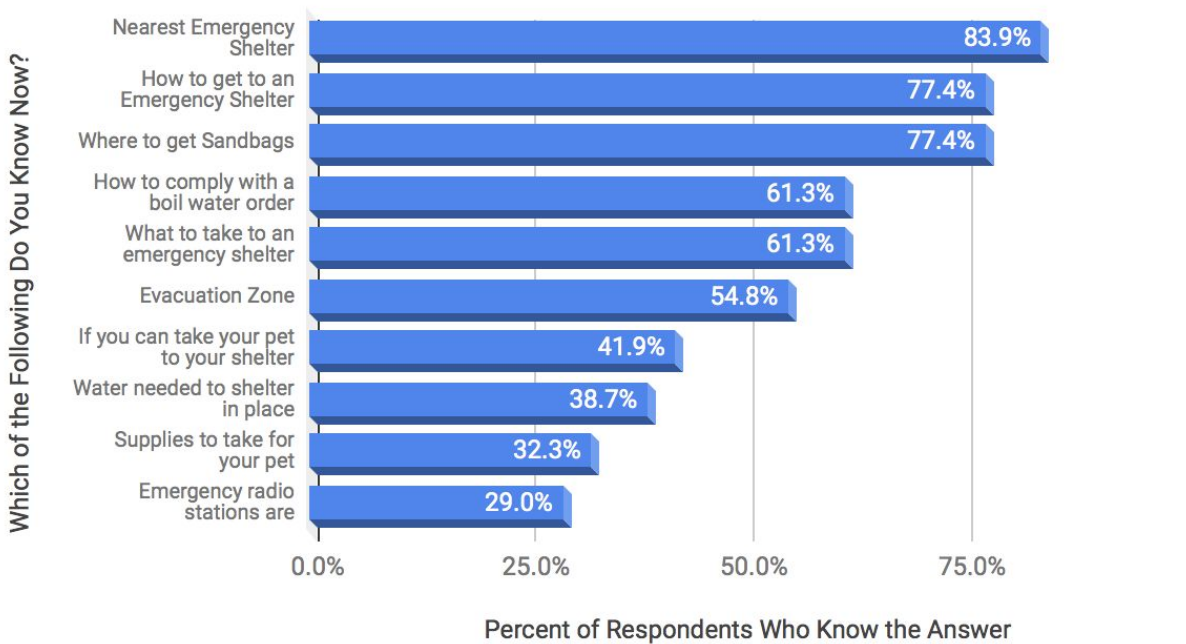
Kissimmee: Preparedness Resources



Preparedness Knowledge: Most respondents (83.9%) knew where the nearest emergency shelter was, and were aware of how to get there. About three quarters (77.4%) of respondents also knew where to get sandbags. There is a need for more preparedness outreach regarding how to comply with a boil water order, what to take to an emergency shelter, the residents' evacuation zones. The preparedness questions most people did not know were: their emergency radio stations, pet supplies to take to an emergency shelter and the amount of water needed to shelter in place.

Graph 7. Percent of Respondents aware of Preparedness Information

Kissimmee: Preparedness Knowledge



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