



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
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**1:30 a.m.**

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## **Flooding forces Pasco County residents from homes**

*~~Emergency rescue crews responding to coastal areas~~*

**PASCO COUNTY, FL** ---- Coastal Gulf flooding from Hurricane Hermine is forcing more than a dozen Pasco County residents from their homes in the Green Key and Hudson Beach areas.

Pasco County Fire Rescue and Pasco County Sheriff's deputies are on scene with high-water vehicles, rescuing people from rising floodwater and transporting them to an area shelter. At least 18 people have been evacuated.

Storm surge in the Gulf of Mexico – combined with intermittent bands of heavy rain – is pushing water into low-lying areas of coastal neighborhoods, inundating homes and roads.

Pasco County Emergency Management reminds residents to avoid floodwaters and to never drive through water of any depth.

Residents who need help or have questions can call the Pasco County Customer Service line at 727.847.2411. Phones are being answered 24 hours a day through 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 2, 2016.

If you have an emergency, please call 9-1-1.

Please monitor your local news, weather radio and the Pasco County Emergency Management website at [www.pascoemergencymanagement.com](http://www.pascoemergencymanagement.com) for storm updates and safety information.

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