

Support & Resource Guide for Students, Faculty & Staff: Hurricane Melissa (Jamaica)

If you or your family have been affected by **Hurricane Melissa**, you are not alone. Below are resources that may be able to assist you with preparedness, recovery, and community support. Click the links below or reach out directly for more information.

Hurricane Preparedness and Recovery

- <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/hurricane.html>
- <https://jis.gov.jm/tropical-storm-melissa/>
- <https://www.odpem.org.jm/hurricane-season-preparedness-tips/>
- <https://www.jpsco.com/storm-centre/>
- <https://hurricanesafety.org/prepare/hurricane-safety-checklists/>
- <https://www.projecthope.org/news-stories/press-release/hurricane-melissa-preparing-to-respond/>

Power Outage Preparedness and Recovery

- <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/power-outage.html>
- <https://www.jpsco.com/outages/>

Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management

- <https://www.odpem.org.jm/shelters/>

Shelter information may be found by contacting the Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management.

Jamaica Constabulary Force

- <https://jcf.gov.jm/>
- <https://x.com/JamaicaConstab>
- <https://www.facebook.com/JamaicaConstabularyForce/>

Road Closures

- <https://www.nwa.gov.jm/road-closures>

United Way of Jamaica

- <https://www.unitedwayofjamaica.org/>

Please contact if you are seeking resources such as clothing, food, or programs for your family.

Ministry of Labour & Social Security

- <https://www.mlss.gov.jm/>

The Salvation Army

- <https://www.salvationarmycarib.org/>

VBRO

VBRO may offer reduced rates for housing in times of disaster.

- <https://www.vrbo.com/>