When Hurricane Irma hit, Florida libraries responded.

**Comfort Stations**
Provided water, snacks, air conditioning and other amenities

**Emergency Information Resource**
Provided information on road closures, weather updates, shelter information, safety tips and emergency numbers

**Red Cross Aid Stations**

**Relief Centers**
Served as distribution centers for donations and food assistance benefits

**Call Centers**
Used research skills at emergency call centers

**Application Centers**
Assisted community members in filling out disaster aid applications

**Community Partners**
Assisted local Emergency Management

**Tech Spots**
Provided Internet & Wi-Fi access

**Program Hubs**
Planned programs to keep kids busy during the day

**Charging Stations**

**Disaster Resource for Kids**
Provided children’s books to help adults discuss disasters with kids

**Safety Checks**
Called people registered on the Special Needs Registry to provide updates

**Multilingual Resource**
Provided emergency information in multiple languages

**Therapy Dogs**

**Government Resource**
Provided drones to help assess damage

**Suspended Fines**

**Pop-Up Libraries**
Moved books outside of the library to provide them to patrons

**Adult Daycare**

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