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### **Harford County Prepares for Severe Storm, County Government Offices to Close at 3 p.m.**

**BEL AIR, Md.,** (Aug. 7, 2023) – Severe weather is expected to move through Harford County between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. today August 7. Strong, gusty winds up to 60 to 70 mph are predicted, with potential for tornadoes. Harford County Executive Bob Cassilly is currently at the Emergency Operations Center to monitor the storm and released the following message.

“The NWS (National Weather Service) has advised of a severe storm threat that could impact Harford County. This storm system could have hurricane force winds in excess of 70 mph, the possibility for large tornadoes and widespread power outages. The Emergency Operations Center will be activated at 2 p.m. to monitor the situation. Please make sure to charge all of your electronic devices, secure any loose items you have outside and make sure you have a plan for your family. Thanks and be safe.”

Due to the forecast, Harford County Government offices will be closing today at 3 p.m. Harford Transit LINK will continue operations as permitted by weather conditions.

Stay weather aware and have multiple ways to receive weather warnings. Widespread power outages are possible. Downed trees and wires are also expected. Updates will be posted on social media through the Harford County Government Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/HarfordCountyMD>.

Link to Harford County Emergency Preparedness Guide.  
[https://www.harfordcountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5326/Emergency-Preparedness-Guide?bidId&fbclid=IwAR3V4R8zfZ\\_WZDIUYwdTHKeJnqmg1D0FpbIGL6rO2W5xzitrm9KArWN\\_zs](https://www.harfordcountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5326/Emergency-Preparedness-Guide?bidId&fbclid=IwAR3V4R8zfZ_WZDIUYwdTHKeJnqmg1D0FpbIGL6rO2W5xzitrm9KArWN_zs)

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