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Hurricane Community Forum June 12th, 2019 Oriental, NC. 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

The National Weather Service in Newport/Morehead City, NC will be conducting a community forum on hurricanes on June 12th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. The class will be held at The Oriental Town Hall located at 507 Church Street in Oriental, NC. The forum is free and open to everyone; no age requirements. All are welcome!

The goal of these forums is to teach you more about hurricane preparedness while giving you a chance to ask any questions you may have. We will highlight topics such as why you should never just focus on the category of the storm but instead focus on the impacts. We will also cover why we should prepare each and every year for hurricanes in our area because it only takes one storm to make an impact on our lives. "We have a lot of new people moving to our area each year while others have experienced many storms, as recently as Florence" said Erik Heden, Warning Coordination Meteorologist. "Hurricane preparedness is something every resident should know about with our close proximity to the ocean" Heden continues.

If you have questions please call 252-223-5122 EXT 5 or send an email to erik.heden@noaa.gov. For more information on this class, please visit us at weather.gov/mhx or follow us on [Facebook](#) or on [Twitter](#).

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