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# SLOSBERG REPORT

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## The Team

Customer service is important and my team is here for you. Don't hesitate to contact us for help.

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## Constituents Services

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## Safer Roads and Bittersweet Joy

When I woke up after the horrific accident 23 years ago, I was in the hospital on a respirator. I couldn't talk. I had multiple broken bones. I wrote: "Where is Dori?" And for the first time in his life, my father was speechless. He showed me the newspaper story that said my twin sister and four other teens had been killed. My family has lived with this every day since, but my dad taught me it's what you do *after* a tragedy that determines whether that's all it is. On the day Florida's new law went into effect making texting while driving a primary offense, I was so proud to be joined by family members of other victims in dedicating the law to their memory. A dozen elected officials and dignitaries, who have worked with us for more than a decade, were there, along with Palm Beach County fire fighters and sheriff's deputies.

Debbie Wanninkhof, who lost her son Pat to a distracted cell phone user four years ago, put it best. "This bill is about saving lives. That's all it's about. And as of this day, Florida is taking an important step toward safer roads – and saving lives."

*Emily Slosberg*



Left to right, Rabbi Sholom Korf, Chabad of Delray, Emily Slosberg, Irv Slosberg.



# It's Hurricane Season: Plan Ahead Now!

The time to plan for a hurricane is *before* the news media report an approaching storm. Go to Palm Beach County's emergency preparedness website at [www.readyabc.com](http://www.readyabc.com) for detailed reminders on what to do to survive on your own for at least 72 hours if that becomes necessary. For questions and special problems contact Palm Beach County

Emergency Management at 561-712-6400. Do you know the closest gas station and grocery store with a backup generator? If family members have medical conditions that require electric medical devices or oxygen, you may want to go to a special needs shelter – but you must pre-register online ([www.readyabc.com](http://www.readyabc.com)) and be accepted before hurricanes approach.

Using checklists from the County's emergency preparedness center, you'll want to:

- 1) Make a plan with your family.
- 2) Stock supplies for your household.
- 3) Plan for your pet.

For safety and health reasons, Palm Beach County has only one pet-friendly evacuation shelter, and it is only available for local residents living in a mandatory evacuation zone, a mobile home or sub-standard housing. So talk with friends or family members ahead of time if you are looking for an “evacuation home” for your pet. Also, Palm Beach County's website for Public Safety/Animal care includes a list of 20-pet friendly boarding facilities and 18 pet –friendly hotels/motels in Palm Beach County. For these lists and a detailed run-down of other hurricane reminders for your pets, go to <http://discover.pbcgov.org/publicsafety/animalcare/Pages/Hurricane.aspx>

- Microchip 4-legged family members and be sure the contact information is up to date.
- Update licenses and immunizations. Put copies of medical records in a waterproof holder.
- Have a sturdy, safe crate or carrier in case you need to evacuate. The carrier should be large enough for your pet to stand, turn around and lie down.
- In addition to your own emergency supplies, put together a “go kit” for your pet with at least a 3-day supply of pet food and water, bedding, leash, collar, and toys or treats to help reduce stress.
- Prepare sanitation, including pet litter and a litter box, pee pads, newspapers, paper towels, plastic trash bags and household bleach.



Our nation’s 243<sup>rd</sup> birthday is Thursday July 4 – a time for fireworks, cookouts, parades, family reunions, concerts, patriotic songs, and sport. John Adams said in 1776 the day should be celebrated with “pomp and parade . . . from one end of this continent to the other.” In that spirit, be sure your holiday is safe and happy for all of us. Drive extra carefully. And if your pet is frightened by fireworks, take precautions. And enjoy!

## Rep. Slosberg -- Legislator of 2019



The Florida Police Chiefs named District 91 Rep. Emily Slosberg as 2019 Legislator of the Year in “recognition of hard work and dedication to ensure the passage of legislation that improves law enforcement and public safety in the State of Florida.” Above left is Emily Slosberg with Paul Sereci of the Florida Police Chiefs.

# Farm Share! Food, Rain, Smiles and Hugs

Drizzle, rain and puddles did not deter hundreds from picking up fresh fruit, juice, bread and yogurt at Farm Share's Dist. 91 food distribution on June 29. The Sheriff's Dept. and Palm Beach County fire fighters joined Rep. Slosberg, and several dozen volunteers in handing out food.

