

# EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DURING A HURRICANE - KC3YFZ Ed

Columbine, September 11, COVID

## Did Governments have a plan? Sorta.


Not If but When. Plan to win, or fail to plan. Each case above-offered lessons learned the HARD WAY. Planning evolves.

My goal is to listen in on emergency communications during Milton, a hurricane.

**911 is always the first GO TO Communication for a critical life or property emergency.**

Next is Amateur Radio.

## HOW to Listen

 <https://m.broadcastify.com/listen/feed/35392>

2-meter cover using Florida SARNET - Florida's State Wide Connected Repeater System.

<https://sarnetfl.org/>



HF via the Hurricane Watch net.

<https://hwn.org/>

Since 1965 Helping to observe report and save life and property

## State of Florida

The 2-meter NET is well covered as the State takes over the net due to the emergency.

HF is good and relies on the relay of comm depending on who can 2 way communicate.

What is communicated:

Weather information, power information, flood information,  
critical timely information relating to **On the Ground**  
**Situational Awareness.**

## Summary:

The event had a record of tornado warnings and touchdowns. One guy was a door dash driver and making reports as he was out and about. Others reported remote or from their QTH.

Many participated to be a relay of information depending on propagation conditions.

I a very good learning experience for me as a beginner to understand how amateur radio fills the mission of helping to save lives and property. Provide an on-the-ground situation awareness that combined with NOAA and professional Emergency Services to give our country a fighting chance when the chips are not in our favor. Not If but When. Practice.