NOTE: Most of the provisions of this element do not apply. However, the University does have some capability to assist in emergency management situations.

Goal 1
To protect the public health, safety and property from the harmful effects of natural disasters.

Objective 1A
Provide suitable space in University facilities for students, faculty, and employees expected to require shelter prior to and during a disaster, and make available appropriate areas of the University for use by emergency management agencies as staging areas for supplies and equipment.

Policy 1A-1
In accordance with the adoption of public shelter standards and criteria by the Board of Trustees, the University shall request surveys by appropriate agencies of existing facilities to identify those suitable for use as emergency shelters.

Policy 1A-2
Upon completion of the shelter survey, FAU shall identify those facilities that are to be retrofitted to comply with the public shelter standards and criteria by the Board of Trustees. These facilities shall then be scheduled for retrofitting for use as public shelters as needed.

Policy 1A-3
New buildings shall be constructed in accordance with the public shelter standards and criteria adopted by the Board of Trustees, unless the Board of Trustees, with the concurrence of the State Department of Community Affairs and the County Emergency Management Office, exempts the building or part thereof from compliance because of the building’s location, size, or some other characteristic.

Policy 1A-4
The University shall designate existing large open areas (i.e., parking lots, recreational fields, etc.) for use as staging areas for emergency supplies, equipment, etc.

Policy 1A-5
The information collected through the implementation of Policies 1A-1 through 1A-4 shall be made available to local emergency management agencies.
Policy 1A-6
In accordance with Red Cross standards, portions of the Student Union approximately 16,205 sq. ft., may be used to house approximately 810 people at the ratio of 20 sq. ft. person.

Policy 1A-7
The University shall incorporate procedures for the management and operation of University facility shelters in its Emergency Preparedness and Operations Plan.