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Training Schedule:

For the location and to register please call the Disaster Services Office Voice Mail.

Monticello

Nov 9 6pm	INTRO
Nov 16 6pm	LOG
Nov 30 6pm	SO
Dec 7 6pm	MC

Steinhatchee

Nov 7 6pm	INTRO
Nov 14 6pm	LOG
Nov 28 6pm	SO
Dec 4 6pm	MC

Tallahassee

Nov 4 9am	ERV
Nov 4 9am	PA I
Nov 7 6pm	DA
Nov 8&9 6pm	FS
Nov 9 9am	LOG
Nov 9 1pm	DHS I
Nov 11 9am	DHS II
Nov 14 6pm	INTRO
Nov 15 6pm	MC
Nov 16 6pm	DWI
Nov 18 9am	EOC

INTRO - Introduction to Disaster Services

DA - Damage Assessment

SO - Shelter Operations

SS - Shelter Simulation

MC - Mass Care: An Overview

DHS - Disaster Health Services

FS - Family Services: Providing Emergency Assistance

LOG - Logistics: An Overview

Haz Mat I - Hazardous Materials I

If you are a State of Florida, City of Tallahassee or Leon County employee, you can receive 15 days of paid Disaster Leave to volunteer for the American Red Cross.

School Bus Exercise

ERV # 1074 with Gathana Parmenas, Wilford Kennedy and Tommy Toole participated in the school bus accident exercise in Quincy on Oct 19. Snacks and drinks were served to the participants and the emergency workers conducting the exercise.

FireHouse Activities

Both Fire House I and II have been busy. To date 11,303 elementary school age children have participated in the fire prevention and safety activities conducted in the Fire Houses.

North Florida Fair

Fire House II and a Disaster Resistant Neighborhood booth have been set up at the North Florida Fair. If you plan to attend the fair stop by and say hello.

MoKi Workshop

A Disaster Services Mobile Kitchen (MoKi) Workshop will be held Dec 2 at 9am. To register, call the Disaster Services Voice Mail.

Annual Cook Out

The annual End of Hurricane Season Cookout is scheduled for Dec 2 at 4pm at the Chapter House in Tallahassee. All Disaster Services Volunteers and their families are invited.

To become a Disaster Resistant Neighborhood call the Disaster Services Office.

New Instructors

Sheila Kosier, Gathana Parmenas, Leroy Rutherford, and Eloise Rutherford completed the Disaster Instructor Specialty Training (DIST) held in Pensacola on Oct 21 and 22. They will join our cadre of Disaster Services instructors.

South Florida Floods

The following volunteers were assigned to the flood recovery in the Miami area:

Damage Assessment

Frances Johnson

Local Disaster Volunteers

Cortland Edwards and Sharon Edwards

Family Services

Zilpah Boyd, Walter Eaton and Carrie Norton

Logistics

Glenn Etheridge

Disaster Health Services

Shirley Barrett

Mass Care

Audrey Evans, Mary Prather, Carol Raker, Linda Treml, James Jenereaux, Charles Courtemanche, Gathan Parmenas, Randy Barkley and Kent Murphy.

Gordon & Helene

397 Disaster Services volunteers made themselves available to open shelters, provide meals, conduct damage assessment, interview disaster victims and staff the Emergency Operation Center throughout the chapter during Hurricane Gordon and Tropical Storm Helene.

Our response to these two tropical events was very well organized and timely. Thanks for a job well done.

Masters of Disaster

The Disaster Services Office has been placing the Masters of Disaster kits in elementary and middle schools throughout the eight counties. The kits contain a school safety curriculum program that provides teachers with lesson plans that have a disaster preparedness theme.

New DAT On Board

Eight employees of Fringe Benefits Management Co have joined together to become the newest Disaster Action Team (DAT) for Leon County.

The DAT is made up of Team Captain Robert Skipper and team members Easter Vullard, Sue McDanile, Michael McGowan, Scarlet Faust, Nancy Gandy, Julie Causseaus and Ayanna Haynes.

If your office would be interested in working together as a DAT please call the Disaster Services Office.

Because of the End of the Hurricane Season Cookout there will not be a Disaster Services Meeting in November.

DATs' Record to Date

During the past 24 months the Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross has responded to 341 home fires throughout the eight counties, served 1,164 victims and provided \$141,696 in financial assistance.

CDV Workshop

Beverly Stright (Disaster Services Associate) and Gathana Parmenas (Franklin County Disaster Services Satellite Office Manager) attended the Coordinator of Disaster Volunteers Workshop in Lake City.

New DSHR Technicians

Melissa Dockstader FS/T, MC/T & LOG/T; John Kimball MC/T, LOG/T & DA/T; Tim Hutchison MC/T & DA/T; Jimmy Lewis DA/T; Kate West DA/T; Georgina Portillo-Foster DA/T; Shelley Murphy DA/T; Dudley Griner PA/T; and Jean McCarter MC/T.