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Training Schedule:

For the location and to register, please call the Voice Mail or FAX

Bristol

Apr 10 6pm SO
Apr 17 6pm MC
Apr 24 6pm LOG

Perry

Apr 12 6pm SO
Apr 19 6pm MC
Apr 26 6pm LOG

Tallahassee

Apr 10 6pm MC
Apr 11 6pm SO
Apr 12 9am PA
Apr 12 6pm SS
Apr 14 9am ERV
Apr 17 6pm INTRO
Apr 18 6pm LOG
Apr 19 6pm DWI
Apr 21 6pm LDV
Apr 25 6pm DWI
Apr 26 9am SO
Apr 26 1pm SS

DA - Damage Assessment

DHS - Disaster Health Services

FS - Family Services: Providing
Emergency Assistance

EOC - Emergency Operations
Center

INTRO - Introduction to Disaster
Services

LOG - Logistics

MC - Mass Care

SO - Shelter Operations

SS - Shelter Stimulation

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

Start working to make your neighborhood

DISASTER RESISTANT Springtime Tallahassee

To help celebrate this year's Springtime Tallahassee Fire House II was set up and 368 children were trained in home fire prevention and safety.

Disaster Services Volunteers who made this happen include Rebecca Griffin, Jerry Adams, Susan Screws, Terry Pace, Denny Gordon, Blondell Hutchinson, Jean McCarter, Gretta Hammarstrom, Michael Brown and Gary Botts.

Also assisting were Stacey Benedon, Kim Robinson, Cara Abaldo, Jesse Lynch and Tony Richa from the Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity at FSU.

Volunteers and Donations

Planning is underway to establish a joint American Red Cross, Leon County and City of Tallahassee Volunteer and Donation Center.

The purpose of the center will be to coordinate all spontaneous volunteers and donations during a disaster.

Mitigation Missionary

Disaster Services Director Chris Floyd spent the week of Mar 19 through 23 in Houston TX participating in a Disaster Mitigation Services Workshop.

The workshop was designed to train 30 members of the new Disaster

Mitigation Services function of the American Red Cross.

At the completion of their training 30 new Mitigation Missionaries returned home to nurture the Disaster Mitigation and Education Mission.

BSA and ERV # 1074

On Mar 31 Disaster Services Volunteer Robert Peters and Youth Disaster Action Team member Becky Fortson took ERV # 1074 to the Wallwood Boy Scout Reservation as part of the annual Boy Scout Camporee to explain what the American Red Cross does during a disaster and to recruit new Youth Disaster Action Team members.

Boat and Camper Show

Fire House II attended the 2001 Great Boat and Camper Show held in Tallahassee on Mar 17 where 62 children learned home fire prevention and safety.

Working at the Fire House were Disaster Services Volunteers Richard Bell, Mary Ann Henderson, Bill Carmon, Bob Macko, Susan Screws, Sheila Kosier, Hannie Tterlikkis, Robert Carney, Khallilah Muhammad, Ray Hollis, Ja'Lynn Hollis and Nancy Bell.

Home Safety Day

Gary Botts set up a Disaster Resistant Neighborhood display on Apr 2 at the State Capital as part of the 2001 Home Safety Day.

EMPW Coming Up

The next Emergency Management Planning Workshop for Business, Industry and Government

(EMPW) is scheduled for Apr 30 at 8:30am at the Chapter House. For additional information please call the Disaster Services Office.

FEMA Training Course

Disaster Services Director Chris Floyd spent the week of Mar 19 through 30 with 80 City of Tallahassee and Leon County employees at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) training center at Mt Weather VA.

They participated in the Integrated Emergency Management Course that was designed to bring agencies and people together to prepare for, then respond to and recover from a disaster such as a category three hurricane.

To everyone's surprise and Chris's delight it snowed there Thursday morning.

Fraternity Fire at FSU

The Disaster Services Office responded to a fire in a fraternity house on the FSU campus on Apr 4. ERV # 1074 along with the following Disaster Services Volunteers responded: Allen Hanley, Mary Ann Henderson, Sheila Kosier, Gary Botts, Scarlett Faust, Sue McDaniel, David Morgan, Ann Cross, Melba Hawkins, Tim Hutchinson, Faye Rioux, Robert Skipper, Alma Walker, Kathy Morgan, Rex Ware and Chris Floyd.

ERV # 1074 provided Mass Care (feeding) support to victims and emergency workers while a Service Center was set up in the Fraternity House next door. During the next four hours each of the 18 victims met with our caseworkers.

Weathering the Storm

Mark your calendar now to attend the “Weathering the Storm - A Hurricane Preparedness Event” at the Tallahassee Mall on May 19 from 10:00am until 3:00pm.

Disaster Services Meeting

The next Disaster Services Meeting will be Apr 16 at 6:30pm at the Chapter House. The theme for the meeting will be *Weapons of Mass Destruction*. Please plan to attend.