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Training Schedule:

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

Apalachicola

Oct 15 & 16 6pm FS

Chattahoochee

Oct 17 1pm INTRO

Oct 21 1pm DHS

Madison

Oct 8 & 10 6pm FS

Monticello

Oct 14 6pm SO

Oct 16 6pm SS

Perry

Oct 10 6pm HRID

Oct 24 6pm SO

Tallahassee

Oct 10 6pm SS

Oct 12 9am FS

Oct 12 9am MCD

Oct 16 6pm DA

Oct 19 9am LOG

Oct 21 - 24 TCC Blitz

Oct 23 6pm HRID

Oct 24 - 26 DHS Blitz

Oct 26 9am PA

DA - Damage Assessment

DHS - Disaster Health Services

FS - Family Services: Providing
Emergency Assistance

EOC - Emergency Operations
Center

HRID - Human Resources

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 employee, you can receive 15 days of paid disaster leave to volunteer for the Red Cross in time of a disaster.

Hurricane LILI

While Hurricane Lili ignored Florida and went ashore in Louisiana; the Disaster Services Office sent the following Disaster Services Volunteers to help with the recovery: Randy Barkley assigned as a Logistic Specialist, Anne Causseaux assigned as a Training Technician, Walter Eaton as a Family Services Specialist and John McKenzie as a Family Services Specialist.

Training Blitz

During the last week of October the Disaster Services Office will be hosting two Disaster Services Training Blitzes.

Tallahassee Community College will be the host of a blitz from Oct 21 through Oct 25.

The Leon County Library will be hosting a Disaster Health Services Training Blitz on Oct 24, 25 and 26.

Further information can be obtained on our web site.

DPARC Recruitment

The Disaster Services Offices is now recruiting members for the 2003 Domestic Preparedness and Response Corp (an AmeriCorps program).

Fulltime members of the DPARC will receive \$9,600 in a Living Stipend for 12 months of service.

If interested or if you know anyone who may be interested, please call the Disaster Services Office.

**Is Your Neighborhood
DISASTER RESISTANT?**

Are You Ready

There are two months left in the 2002 Hurricane Season. American Red Cross Disaster Services Volunteers, it is very important that you stay prepared to respond if the Capital Area is threatened. When a storm is threatening our area please report to or call the Chapter's Emergency Operations Center.

**DO NOT WAIT TO
BE CALLED**

DAT Data

In Aug the Disaster Action Teams responded to 22 home fires and provided \$8,700 in financial assistance to 68 victims.

Volunteer Data

During the month of August 219 Disaster Services Volunteers logged 7,319 hours of service.

Small Pox Exercise

On Aug 28, Gary Botts, V J Smith and Chris Floyd participated in a Small Pox Table Top Exercise conducted by the Wakulla County Emergency Management Department.

Operation Step Up Grant

The Disaster Services Office was awarded an Operation Step Up grant of \$22,500 from the Florida Commission of Community Service.

The grant has three major components: Disaster Volunteer Management, Disaster Volunteer Mentoring and Community Emergency Response Team.

DOH Award

The Disaster Services Office has been awarded a \$36,000 Department of Health Regional Domestic Security Task Force contract to conduct disaster preparedness and education activities throughout the Capital Area Chapter.

Fire House Activities

The Fire House and Fire/Weather House continue to be very busy. During the past few weeks 1,481 young people have participated in Home Fire Prevention and Safety activities at Pineview Elementary, Downtown Getdown, Apalachee Ridge Fund Day, Ivan Assembly of God Church, Hartsfield Elementary, Tallahassee Christian Academy and the Southwood Fall Festival.

DPARC members Ja'Lynn Hollis and Erika Rayfield along with many Disaster Services Volunteers have conducted the Fire House activities.

New DSHR Members

Bill & Mary Leonard, Tani Breckenridge, Roberta Maddox, Mayuri Bhakta, Anita Cutlip, Donald Dydra, Robert Laub, Margaret Mills, David Perryman, Erica Rayfield, Bill Schildt, Ray Carlton, David Morgan, Cathy Morgan, Carolyn Sparks, Denise Jones, Alicia Trexler, Michaelle Langevin, David Kastin, Mary DuBois-Bruner, Donna Pottle, Beverly Vichich, Elsie Smith, Laura McLaughlin, June Courtney, John Courtney, Vance Howell and Debra Howell.