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#### **Glades Technical Advisory Committee Minutes**

Meeting Title: Glades Technical Advisory Committee Meeting

Facilitator: Houston Tate, Director

Scribe (recorder): Duane Gainer, Senior Planner

Date/Time: May 23, 2013 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Location: Canal Point Community Center

#### **Meeting Attendance:**

1. Rev. David Broadbent, Canal Point United Methodist Church

- 2. Duane Gainer, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization
- Monica McCoy, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office 3.
- Stephen Stokes, Target Engineering 4.
- Melissa Dixon, Planned Parenthood of South Florida
- Carol Thompson, P.B.C. Department of Economic Sustainability
- Rashonda Warren, City of Pahokee 7.
- Terris Ellick, P.B.C. Victim Services 8.
- Meredith Cruz, The Corradino Group 9.
- Derrek Moore, City of Pahokee 10.
- Angela Morlok, Metropolitan Planning Organization 11.
- Estella Pyfrom. Estella's Brilliant Bus 12.
- Erica Redmon, City of Pahokee 13.
- 14. Rashonda Warren, City of Pahokee
- Dana Little, Treasure Coast Regional Planning
- Patrick Woodard, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office 16.
- 17. Eddie Rhodes, Tri-City Education
- Chief Curtis Rice, P.B.C. Fire Rescue 18.
- 19. Jermaine Ford, P.B.C. Sheriff's Office
- 20. Willie Haulstead, City of Belle Glade
- 21. Ralph Butts, City of Belle Glade
- 22. Lawanda Harper, Pahokee Elementary
- 23. Houston Tate, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization
- Harma Miller, Glades Guardian 24.
- Henry Miller, Glades Guardian 25.
- 26. Rob Shelt, P.B.C. Division of Emergency Management
- **Teddy Tomlin, Tomlin Enterprise** 27.
- Robert Rease, St. John's Trust 28.

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#### **Meeting Minutes**

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Comments: Mr. Tate called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m., and asked for introductions to include the attendee's name, and what three (3) things would they take with them it they had to evacuate their home in an emergency.

The introduction/ice breaker allows group members to feel more comfortable to relate to each other on a personal level. Getting to know each other and developing a rapport with each other will strengthen their discussions and aid in the exchanging of opinions, brainstorming options, identifying viable solutions and developing an action plan.

#### 2. Special Presentation

Rob Shelt, Assistant Manager Emergency Management Operations – Mr. Shelt's presentation stressed Hurricane Season Preparedness. The major points were: 1) Have a Plan, 2) Build a Kit, and 3) Be Informed. Mr. Shelt's' entire power point presentation can be found at the end of this document.

Rev. Broadbent asked is there any data on "lake" storm surge. Mr. Shelt replied yes, it is called the "cereal bowl" effect.

Rev. Broadbent asked which building at the South Florida Fairgrounds served as the shelter. Mr. Shelt responded the Exhibit Hall.

Rev. Broadbent asked if you are required to remain with your pet at the pet shelter. Mr. Shelt replied yes.

Chief Rice commented that you should not run generators inside your home or garage because carbon monoxide can kill you.

The Glades Guardian Collaborative Committee (GGCC) has offered to assist the Glades Region communities with disseminating the Emergency Supply Kit Shopping List provided by Emergency Management.

Discussion ensued regarding increasing the lists' distribution avenues.

#### 3. Participant Updates/Comments

Mr. Tate updated the group of the following:

- Robotics Engineering Program- upcoming graduations are impacting progress at this time; and
- The NFL High School Player Development Program will be held at the Anquan Boldin Stadium in Pahokee on Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday June 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### Steve Stokes and Meredith Cruz, reported on the following:

- The sidewalk project for State Road 15 is underway;
- Paving of State Road 15 begins in June; and

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• South Bay Bridge project will begin in August and Belle Glade Bridge Project will begin July 12th.

#### Melissa Dixon, Planned Parenthood of South Florida, reported on the following:

- She will be the new representative to GTAC replacing Brenda Thomas;
- Planned Parenthood will begin a new life skills program for Glades area youth at the end of June. Contact her for more information at (561) 670-4300.

#### 4. Adjournment

Comments: The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m. The next meeting will be held on June 27th, 2013 at Belle Glade City Hall.

Approved by: Houston L. Tate, Director\_





# Community Emergency Response Teams: Program Overview

Rob Shelt, M.P.A, FPEM

**Asst. Operations Manager** 

**Palm Beach County Division of Emergency Management** 

Pat Johnson, PBC DEM Volunteer CERT Coordinator

# Palm Beach County Division of Emergency Management

#### **Vision**

To be a world class emergency management agency keeping our community safe and resilient by working together with our partners and the public as a TEAM.

#### **Mission**

To minimize the impact of emergencies and disasters to our community through education, planning, and response by coordinating information and resources.





## **Emergency Management Cycle**

An emergency management program examines potential emergencies and disasters based on the risks posed by likely hazards.

Emergency activities are divided into four phases that form

a cycle. The phases are

Mitigation

Preparedness

- Response
- Recovery

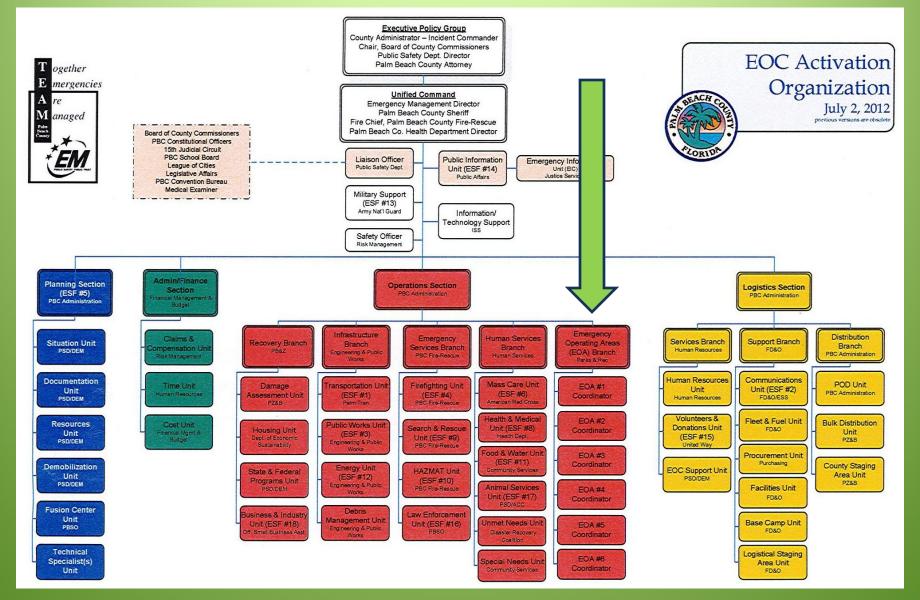


## Palm Beach County 14 Core Hazards

- Flooding
- Wind Events
- Severe Weather
- Erosion/Subsidence
- Fire
- Agricultural Pests & Diseases
- Herbert Hoover Dike
- Communicable Diseases

- Domestic Security
- Technological Hazards
- Hazardous Materials
- Pollution
- Radiological Threats
- Transportation Accidents
- Mass Migration

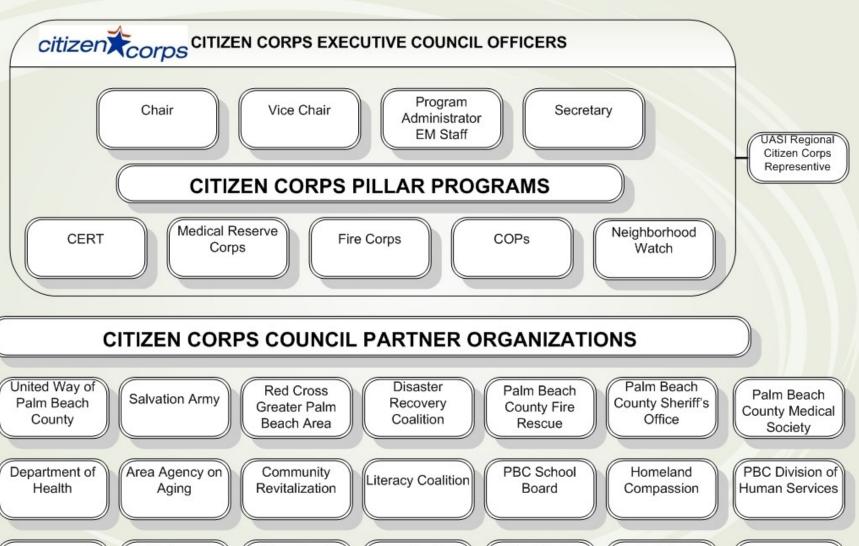
## **EOC** Activation Organization



# Collaboration: A necessity for success



#### PALM BEACH COUNTY CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL



League of Cities

Law Enforcement Planning Council Children Services Council PBC Public Safety Fire Chief's Association Municipal Representatives Emergency Management

### Remember When









## Neighbors helping neighbors



3400 communities

## Why CERT?

As many as 10,000 killed in 1985 Mexico City earthquake

- 700 saved by untrained volunteers
- 100 volunteers died trying to help
- City of Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD)
   recognized that citizens likely to be on their
   own during early stages of disaster

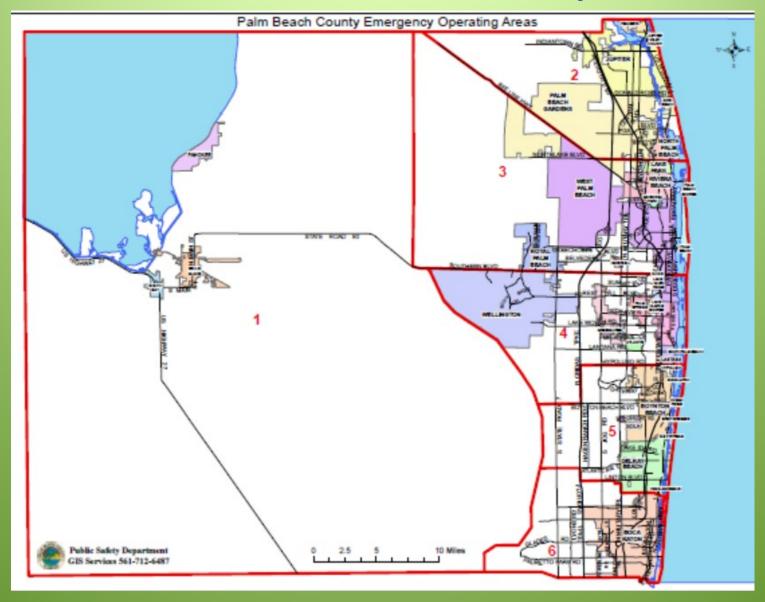
### **CERT Curriculum**

- Disaster Preparedness
- Disaster Psychology & Team Organization
- Basic Medical—ABS
- Light Search and Rescue
- Fire Suppression
- Terrorism, biohazards





## **CERT in PB County**



#### What CERT Can Do for You

- Teach life skills
- Increase emergency awareness
- Develop leadership skills
- Utilize skills from "previous life"



# What can CERT do for your community?

- Community preparedness
- Quick and organized response
- Situational awareness



## County Support of CERT

- Weekly newsletter
- Monthly team leader meeting
- Training of new members, "Basic CERT" class
- Exercises
- On-going support for team leaders
- Communication conduit to EOC via EOA during response.

### Community Responsibilities

- Recruitment of new members
- Team maintenance
- Team organization
- Routine communication and engagement
- Refresher training

## **Volunteer Liability**

- Good Samaritan Act
- Florida Volunteer Protection Act
- Homeowners' Association/Sponsoring Agency
- Personal insurance policies



## Division of Emergency Management

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