

## **P.O.D. INFORMATION**

### **WHAT IS A P.O.D.?**

A P.O.D. IS A “POINT OF DISTRIBUTION” IN THE AFTERMATH OF A DISASTER. A P.O.D. IS SET UP TO DISTRIBUTE WATER, ICE, FOOD, TARPS, ETC. (Whatever is available) UNTIL POWER IS RESTORED AND THE P.O.D. IS NO LONGER NEEDED. (The Local Emergency Management Agency (LEMA) would make this decision). ALL P.O.D.S ARE MANAGED UNDER COUNTY SUPERVISION.

THE P.O.D. IN GREEN COVE SPRINGS IS A TYPE III. A TYPE III IS BASED ON A POPULATION OF 5,000 PERSONS AND SERVES ABOUT 140 VEHICLES AN HOUR. WE ALSO EXPECT WALK UP TRAFFIC.

P.O.D.’S ARE OPEN 24 HOURS WITH SUPPLIES GIVEN OUT IN DAYLIGHT HOURS 7:00 AM TO 7:00 PM AND TRUCK DELIVERIES IN THE EVENINGS HOURS.

### **HOW DOES A P.O.D. WORK?**

WITHIN THE FIRST 72 HOURS AFTER A DECLARED DISASTER, (without power) SUPPLIES ARE TO BE GIVEN OUT AS FOLLOWS BASED ON WHAT IS AVAILABLE:

1 GALLON OF WATER PER PERSON PER DAY (4 liters)  
8 POUNDS OF ICE PER PERSON PER DAY (1 bag)  
2 EMERGENCY FOOD RATIONS  
1 EACH TARP

BASED ON A TYPE III P.O.D. DAYLIGHT HOURS REQUIRE 20 TO 25 VOLUNTEERS.

### **WHERE IS THE P.O.D.?**

P.O.D.S MAY BE LOCATED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, WHERE NEEDED. OUR TENTATIVE SITE IN GREEN COVE SPRINGS WILL BE THE CORNER OF HOUSTON ST. AND PALMETTO ST. (The parking lot behind the County Administration Building)

## **AS A VOLUNTEER WHAT CAN YOU DO AFTER A DISASTER?**

YOU SHOULD FIRST AND FOREMOST SECURE YOUR HOME AND FAMILY.

THEN DUE TO POSSIBLE LIMITED COMMUNICATIONS WE ASK THAT YOU CHECK IN BY PHONE IF POSSIBLE OR AT THE P.O.D. SITE TO SEE IF THE P.O.D. HAS BEEN OPENED AND WHAT YOU CAN DO TO ASSIST.

*IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT ALL VOLUNTEERS SIGN IN AND OUT AS YOU ARE COMING AND GOING. A RECORD OF THE EVENT IS MANDATED TO INSURE THAT FEMA RECEIVES WHAT THEY NEED. If ANY SUPPLIES ARE ISSUED TO YOU THEY NEED TO BE CHECKED BACK IN PRIOR TO SIGN OUT.*

WE WILL NEED PEOPLE TO DISTRIBUTE THE SUPPLIES, KEEP RECORDS, AND BE WILLING TO ASSIST WHERE NEEDED. (Examples: trash removal, assisting the needs of other volunteers, etc.)

**THE FOLLOWING IS A SUGGESTED LIST FOR YOUR PERSONAL NEEDS:** GLOVES, SUNSCREEN, BUG REPELLENT, A HAT, RAIN GEAR, A CHANGE OF CLOTHING, COMFORTABLE CLOSED TOE SHOES, PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS, NEEDED MEDICATIONS, AND SNACKS/DRINKS, ETC. (Please keep in mind your personal comfort and/or your personal needs)

BRING WITH YOU ANYTHING THAT YOU THINK YOU MIGHT NEED TO BE COMFORTABLE DOING A JOB BASED ON WEATHER CONDITIONS AND YOUR NEEDS. OUR INTENT IS TO SET UP REHAB FOR THE VOLUNTEERS BASED ON WHAT IS AVAILABLE.

FOR SAFETY AND LIABILITY PURPOSES: SUGGESTED AGE FOR VOLUNTEERS SHOULD BE 18 YEARS OR OLDER UNLESS THEY ARE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAID MINOR(S).

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