# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY IN THE EVENT OF A DISASTER

United Way of Palm Beach County is the lead agency for "Emergency Support Function 15 Volunteers and Donations" in Palm Beach County's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. That means should a hurricane or other disaster hit Palm Beach County, United Way would coordinate volunteers and donations to assist the County in recovery efforts.

Part of United Way's Disaster Volunteer Management includes Operation Step Up – Volunteer Reception Center, or VRCs. The VRCs would open within 72 hours of a disaster and would serve as a central location for the coordination of volunteers assisting in the relief efforts.

United Way of Palm Beach County recruits volunteers year-round who would help staff VRCs, especially those volunteers 55 years of age or older. United Way provides VRC operations training including the roles of VRC volunteer staff.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Daryl Houston via e-mail or call (561) 375-6621.

#### Here's how a VRC would work:

In an instance of disaster, United Way of Palm Beach County would open a VRC and would call registered VRC volunteers to help staff the VRC. Next, the County, other governments and agencies would inform United Way where they need assistance. Then, United Way's VRC would coordinate volunteers and send them to the areas in need.

For more information visit the United Way of Palm Beach County Web site, www.unitedwaypbc.org.



#### MY SAFE FLORIDA HOME PROGRAM

The My Safe Florida Home Program is accepting new applications for free wind inspections.

You can apply for a free inspection online or over the phone on our My Safe Florida Home helpline at 1-866-513-6734. In order to offer free wind inspections statewide, the program has partnered with wind inspection firms across the state. These inspection firms are required to undergo mandatory training in mitigation techniques and the My Safe Florida Home program. Each wind inspector is also required to pass a background check that includes fingerprinting and drug testing.

If you are not eligible for the My Safe Florida Home program, but would like to schedule your own wind inspection and pay the \$150 fee yourself, you can contact one of our wind inspection firms directly.

For contact information visit:

http://www.mysafefloridahome.com/InspectionFirmList.asp

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our My Safe Florida Home specialists at the number above.



### SAFFIR-SIMPSON HURRICANE SCALE

The Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Scale is a 1-5 rating based on the hurricane's intensity. This is used to give an estimate of the potential property damage and flooding expected along the coast from a hurricane landfall. Wind speed is the determining factor in the scale, as storm surge values are highly dependent on the slope of the continental shelf in the landfall region. For reference, **Tropical Depression** (TD) wind is less than 39 mph and **Tropical Storm** (TS) wind speed is 39-73 mph.

## Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Scale

Category	Pressure mb	Winds mph	Surge ft
Depression		<39	
T. Storm		39-73	
Hurricane 1	> 980	74-95	4-5
Hurricane 2	965-980	96-110	6-8
Hurricane 3	945-965	111-130	9-12
Hurricane 4	920-945	131-155	13-18
Hurricane 5	< 920	> 155	> 18

**Category 1-** No real damage to building structures. Damage primarily to unanchored mobile homes, shrubbery, and trees. Some damage to poorly constructed signs.

Category 2 - Some roofing material, door, and window damage of buildings. Considerable damage to shrubbery and trees with some trees blown down. Considerable damage to mobile homes, poorly constructed signs, and piers.

Category 3 - Some structural damage to small residences and utility buildings with a minor amount of curtain wall failures. Damage to shrubbery and trees with foliage blown off trees and large tress blown down. Mobile homes and poorly constructed signs are destroyed.

Category 4 - More extensive curtain wall failures with some complete roof structure failures on small residences. Shrubs, trees, and all signs are blown down. Complete destruction of mobile homes. Extensive damage to doors and windows.

Category 5- Complete roof failure on many residences and industrial buildings. Some complete building failures with small utility buildings blown over or away. All shrubs, trees, and signs blown down. Complete destruction of mobile homes. Severe and extensive window and door damage.



# GROCERY STORES AND GAS STATIONS IN THE AREA WITH GENERATORS

# **Publix - Palm Beach County**

- \*21230 St Andrews Boulevard, Boca Raton, 33433
- \*828 Southern Boulevard, W. Palm Beach, 33405
- \*1700 S Congress Avenue, Village Of Palm Springs, 33461
- \*265 Sunset Avenue, Palm Beach, 33480
- \*11566 U.S. No. 1, North Palm Beach Gardens, 33408
- \*7745 Lake Worth Road, Lake Worth, 33463
- \*1538 S Federal Hwy, Delray Beach, 33483
- \*4771 W Delray Road, Delray Beach, 33445
- \*6330 West Indiantown Road, Jupiter, 33458
- \*11950 Forest Hill Boulevard, Wellington, 33411
- \*3775 Woolbright Road, Boynton Beach, 33436
- \*13860 South Jog Road, West Delray Beach, 33446
- \*7060 Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton, 33433
- \*105 U.S. 1, Tequesta, 33458
- \*4060 South U.S. 1 South, Jupiter, 33477
- \*7070 Fairway Drive, Palm Beach Gardens, 33418
- \*22973 State Road 7 South, Boca Raton, 33428
- \*6330 Lantana Road, Lantana, 33463
- \*501 SE 18th Avenue, Boynton Beach, 33435
- \*1180 Royal Palm Beach Boulevard, Royal Palm Beach, 33411
- \*9900 Alternate A1A, Palm Beach Gardens, 33410
- \*2895 North Military Trail, W. Palm Beach, 33409
- \*7375 W Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach, 33446
- \*4966 Lechalet Boulevard, Boynton Beach, 33436
- \*9855 Lake Worth Road, Lake Worth, 33467
- \*9846 Glades Road, Boca Raton, 33434
- \*4200 N Lake Boulevard, Palm Beach Gardens, 33405
- \*6627 Boynton Beach Boulevard, Boynton Beach, 33437
- \*1001 S Federal Hwy., Boca Raton, 33432
- \*11650 W Palmetto Park Rd, Boca Raton, 33428
- \*11977 Southern Boulevard, Royal Palm Beach, 33411
- \*10142 Indiantown Road, Jupiter Farms, 33478
- \*400 Northlake Boulevard, Suite 374, Lake Park, 33408
- \*555 NE 5th Avenue, Delray Beach, 33483
- \*5500 Military Trail, Suite 25, Jupiter, 33458
- \*1589 West Lantana Rd., Lantana, 33462
- \*8340 Jog Road, Boynton, 33437

- \*375 South Rosemary Avenue, W. Palm Beach, 33401
- \*7050 Seminole Pratt-Whitney Road, Loxahatchee, 33470
- \*6251 PGA Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens, 33418
- \*127 S State Rd 7, Wellington, 33414
- \*11950 W Forest Hills Blvd, Wellington, 33414

## Winn Dixie - Palm Beach County

- \*1135 Royal Palm Beach Blvd., Royal Palm Beach, 33411
- \*6707 Indiantown Road, Jupiter, 33458
- \*3757 Military Trail, Jupiter, 33458
- \*1620 S. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach, 33435
- \*291 W. Camino Real, Boca Raton, 33432
- \*5060 Seminole Pratt-Whitney Road, Loxahatchee, 33470
- \*7915 S. Dixie Highway, W. Palm Beach, 33405
- \*3700 Broadway, Riviera Beach, 33404

### Whole Foods - Palm Beach County

Store has a generator:

\*1400 Glades Road, Boca Raton, 33431

Permits have been submitted for generators:

- \*11701 Lake Victoria Gardens Dr., Palm Beach Gardens, 33410
- \*33305 7720 Peters Road, Plantation, 33324
- \*2000 N. Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, 33305

## **Gas Stations**

For a complete list of gas stations in the Palm Beach area with generators, please click the link below:

http://www.palmbeachpost.com/storm/content/storm/getready/after/gas\_pbc.html



#### **USEFUL WEB SITES**

Below is a list of other Web sites that provide useful information to weather the storm. We highly recommend you visit these sites for more information.

National Hurricane Preparedness Week www.nhc.noaa.gov/HAW2/english/intro.shtml

Palm Beach County Hurricane Activation Homepage www.co.palm-beach.fl.us/hurricane/

American Red Cross – Greater Palm Beach Area Chapter Hurricane Info www.redcross-pbc.org/Page.aspx?pid=513

Area Agency on Aging Palm Beach County/Treasure Coast Inc.- Hurricane Readiness and Response www.myanswersonaging.org/content.asp?id=71

Florida Hurricane Info. www.floridahurricane.net/

