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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:

April 25, 2013 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Location:

South Bay City Hall

### **Meeting Attendance:**

1. Larry Caraccio, P.B.C. Code Enforcement

2. Duane Gainer, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization

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

4. Dr. Arthur Anderson, City of South Bay

5. Leondrae Camel, City of South Bay

Lawanda Harper, Pahokee Elementary

7. Henry Miller, Glades Guardians

Harma Miller, Glades Guardians

Gary Hawkins, Workforce Alliance

Frantz Gaudard, Glades Guardians 10.

11. Nina Wills, Bridges at Pahokee

Houston Tate, P.B.C. Office of Community Revitalization 12.

Felisia Hill, City of Pahokee 13.

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### **Meeting Minutes**

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Comments: Mr. Tate called the meeting to order at 9:46 a.m., and asked for introductions to include the attendee's name, name of their pet (s) and their favorite ice cream flavor. 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

**Pat Johnson, Volunteer CERT Coordinator** – Ms Johnsons' entire power point presentation can be found at the end of this document.

Lawanda Harper asked who would the teams serve? Ms Johnson replied that it depends but the teams are designed to assist at the neighborhood level.

The Glades Guardian Collaborative Committee (GGCC) has offered to assist the Glades Region communities with disseminating information concerning the CERT Program to the neighborhood – base level. The GGCC will encourage residents to volunteer and participate in the CERT's training program.

Discussion ensued regarding increasing CERT participation

#### 3. Participant Updates/Comments

**Mr. Tate** updated the group of the following:

- Robotics Engineering Program- he met with Dr. Shumaker recently and will be meeting with Principals next; during the summer months; and
- He distributed copies of his recent presentation concerning Public/Private/Partnership at the National Black Public Officials Conference; and
- The BCC has approved funding for the Canal Point Bridge/Pier and Putting Kids 1<sup>st</sup>; 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>.

**Dr. Arthur Anderson, City of South Bay**, stated he will be attending a meeting at FPL for the Smart Grid Product.

Meredith Cruz, The Corradino Group, reported on the following:

- The sidewalk project for Highway 715 is underway; and
- South Bay and Belle Glade Bridge Project will have a pre-construction meeting next month.

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### 4. Adjournment

Comments: The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. The next meeting will be held on May 23, 2013 in Canal Point.

Approved by: Houston L. Tate, Director

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# Community Emergency Response Teams: Program Overview

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**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.

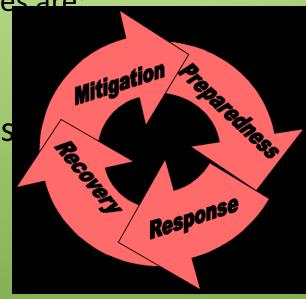
Emergency activities are divided into four phases that form

a cycle. The phases are

Mitigation

Preparedness

- Response
- Recovery

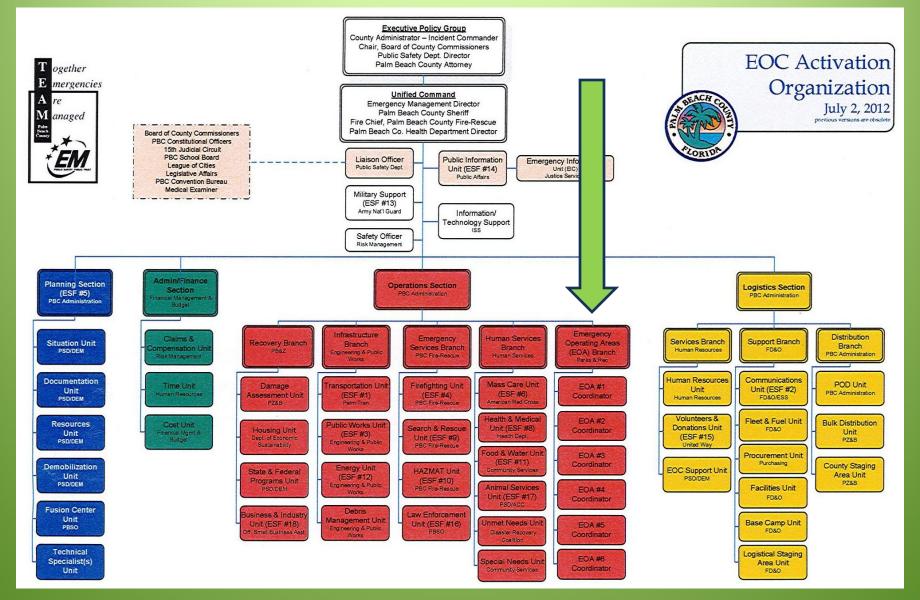


## Palm Beach County 14 Core Hazards

- 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

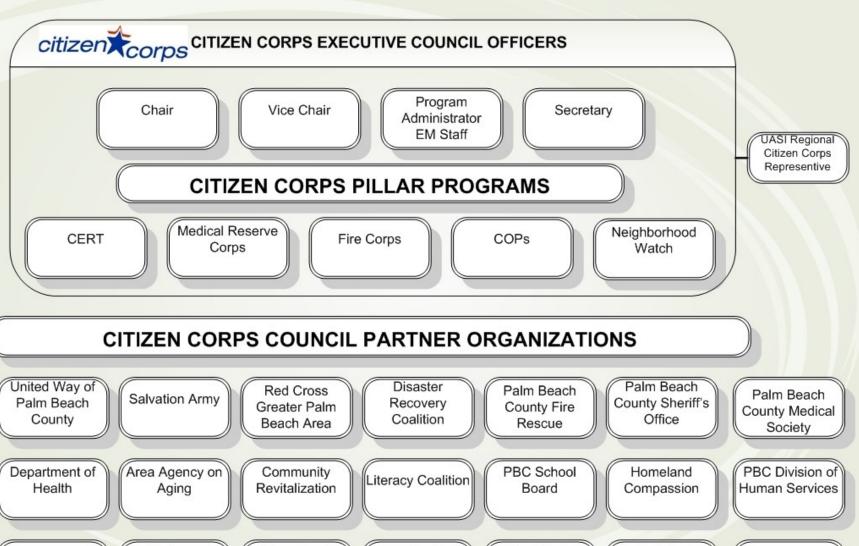
## **EOC** Activation Organization



# 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

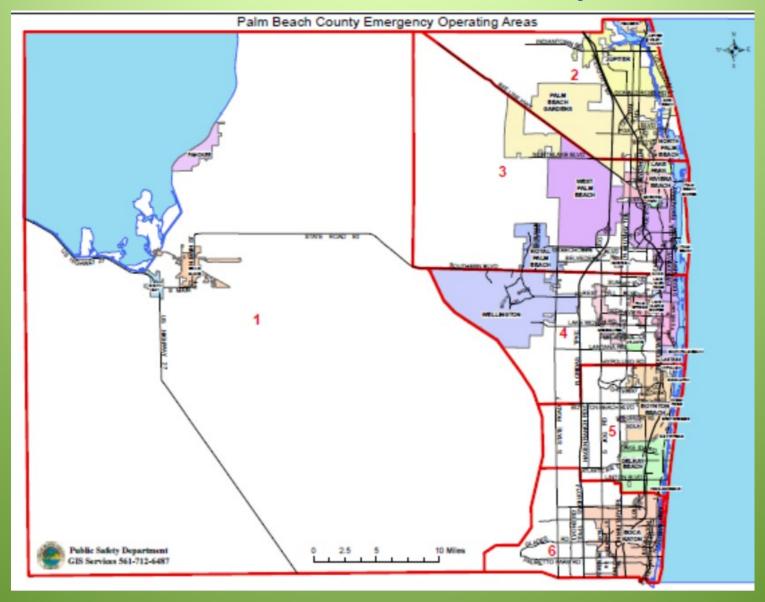
## **CERT Curriculum**

- 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



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