



# NEWSLETTER

Support Alliance For Emergency Readiness

CREATING A **SAFER** SANTA ROSA

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28 July 2014

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted. - Aesop

## **NEEDS, REQUESTS, DONATIONS**

*We can do no great things -- only small things with great love. --Mother Teresa*

*"You make a living by what you get, but you make a life by what you give". -- Winston Churchill*

### **IN HOME BUSINESS AND CHILDCARE NEED**

Mr Casey with KC Wildlife Removal (24/7 – call 398-2704) is looking to fill a position in his home/office.

He previously offered this to a lady (homeless due to a domestic violence situation), but she recently moved up north.

He is divorced, has a 7 year old daughter and a 24/7 business.

Would like to offer a room in his home, some salary, transportation, etc. in exchange for someone to help administrate his business, stay with his daughter when he is called out on business. Basically a live-in situation.

If you know of anyone that might be interested Phone: 850-398-2704

### **WOMAN IN NEED**

A woman called and said her house was struck by electricity 3 times during the storm and did significant damage. She has health issues (disabled) and has open wires in her home. She also has debris in her yard from the storm. If anyone can assist her, especially electricians, please call 572-7897.

### **CRAM THE VAN**

#### **HELP CRAM THE VAN! BY GIVING...**

Help Cram the Van by purchasing school supplies for children in need. We're gearing up to provide students the tools they need to succeed in school. Cram the Van supports families eligible through limited incomes and includes supplies for public schools, private schools, Christian schools and even home schools. If you know someone who needs help, call United Way at (850) 623-4507. You can help by donating school supplies like backpacks, pocket folders, scissors and wide-rule paper. A Drop Box is located at the United Way of Santa Rosa Office. Or make a difference by giving money to purchase supplies. Please make checks payable to United Way Santa Rosa – Cram the Van, 6479-A Caroline St. Milton, FL 32570.

#### **...OR BY VOLUNTEERING**

We need volunteers to help CRAM THE VAN as we pack bags with school supplies for kids in need. Volunteers will help inventory school supplies and pull supplies according to each child's school list. Come by:

**When: August 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> , Monday thru Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

**Location: United Way Santa Rosa**

**Call:** Anja at (850) 623-4507 or email [anja@unitedwaysrc.org](mailto:anja@unitedwaysrc.org).  
**VISIT [www.unitedwaysrc.org](http://www.unitedwaysrc.org) FOR MORE INFORMATION.**



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### **DISABLED VETERAN IN NEED**

This young lady – a disabled veteran won a national contest sponsored by Anytime Fitness – she is a member of the Milton Facility and won \$20,000 (\$10,000 for herself and \$10,000 for a charity of her choice), she choose the Disabled Veterans Sports Association (something like that).....any way, her \$10,000 was supposed to be used for a new “sports” wheelchair to help her maintain her athletic lifestyle and compete. Just before this presentation her HVAC unit went out and is going to cost \$7,000 to replace. They are looking for assistance in providing her a new HVAC or help with defraying cost so that her wheelchair is not replaced with an HVAC unit. <http://vimeo.com/100439257>  
If you can help, contact Donna at 623-2339

### **FAMILY IN NEED**

This past week I have been working with a young family that has some serious needs and I sincerely hope that you will be inclined and able to help with some of them. I was introduced to the family by a staff person at Gulf Breeze United Methodist who requested my help. Upon completion of a routine assessment it was determined that this young family has verifiable needs and qualifies for assistance. Following is a description of the family and how we have assisted them thus far.

This is a married couple with two young children and Mom is scheduled to give birth to a third child on Monday at West Florida Hospital. Dad is partially disabled with only one hand. He has worked and supported his family in the past but lost employment about 6 months ago. Since that time they have lost their home and were living in their 1994 vehicle when they sought assistance. The Children are well cared for it appears and we wish to ensure that continues They are receiving about \$600/month in food stamps and have applied for TANF and WIC benefits but are still awaiting that assistance. Gulf Breeze UMC paid for one night stay in local motel and another church paid for 3 additional nights. Now Interfaith Ministries is paying for a one week stay in a motel closer to the hospital that will provide breakfast daily. Interfaith also has provided a tire replacement and gas money. Interfaith provided shoes and clothing and additional food and cooking equip.

There are still some major needs that I hope you can help with. Newborn will need everything..... bassinett, or pack n play, car seat, diapers, onesies, etc. Mom is having c-section and will be in hospital 5 days. She needs pajamas and underwear. (Size 1X) Dad needs pants (size 40x32) and tennis shoes size 13, socks and underwear. Boy age 4 wears size 8 clothes and loves Thomas the Train toys 18 month old girl wears size 24 months and needs shoes size 6

**Greatest Need is for permanent housing! A small 3 bedroom with cheap rent would be ideal.**

Dad wants to work and needs a job. He does drywall and painting and tile work. Has lots of experience and good references. Looking for work ASAP!

If we can find them a home, I have access to most of the household goods (furniture etc.) that they will need . Please call Jan Wilson at 850-341-1399 ASAP or call Shirley at Interfaith Ministries if you can help with any of this. Thanks so much!

### **CHILDREN IN NEED**

A woman just took custody of her two young grandkids while her son is away for a few months. These two boys (aged 5 and 7) are in need of a lot of attention and grandmother has nothing to keep two little boys entertained. She needs a few items as explained here:

“Each boy has a box spring, but needs a twin mattress. They need sheets and pillowcases. They have no toys to speak of. I'm looking for the good old basics, wooden blocks, duplos or legos, cars, actually just anything. They are going to therapy soon, but at this point, "fancy" toys get broken. Something like toy food with a toy shopping basket, self-contained games, like travel versions of board games...etch a sketch...the older boy loves etch a sketch, but of course I would need two so I don't have to break up fights.”  
If you can help, please call her at 736-8046

## **INFORMATION**

*When you cease to make a contribution you begin to die. - Eleanor Roosevelt*

### **CHILDRENS COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINIC HOURS AND SERVICES IN SANTA ROSA**



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### **WIC SERVICES OFFERED AT PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE IN GULF BREEZE**

While the Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County Midway location remains closed for repairs, the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) supplemental nutrition program will be offering services at the South end campus location of Pensacola State College, 5075 Gulf Breeze Parkway, in Gulf Breeze. Clients will be seen by appointment only, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Those wishing to schedule an appointment must call the Milton location at 850-983-5250.

“We have between 800 and 900 clients who receive services at our Midway location and it can be difficult for those with limited access to transportation to make the trip to Milton. We would like to thank Michelle Horton, the director of the South Santa Rosa Center, and her staff, for allowing us to use their facility while our Midway clinic is being repaired,” said Dianne Pickens, WIC Director at DOH-Santa Rosa.

WIC provides supplemental, nutritious foods for low to moderate income women who are pregnant, breastfeeding or postpartum, as well as infants and children from birth to age five who are at nutritional risk. The location in Midway provided approximately 9,000 services to eligible families in the past year.

For more information about WIC, call 850-983-5250. For information about other services available at the DOH-Milton location, call 850-983-5200.

### **OUTREACH TDAP CLINICS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS IN SANTA ROSA COUNTY**

The Florida Department of Health in Santa Rosa County (DOH-Santa Rosa) would like to remind parents that students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade in the coming school year are required to have a current Tetanus-Diphtheria-Pertussis (Tdap) shot. In an effort to provide additional opportunities for parents to update their child’s middle school shots, the health department has scheduled outreach clinics at three middle schools at the south end of the county, and one at Jay High School in the north end.

“The Midway location was heavily damaged by the spring flood,” said Barbara McMillion, RN, director of nursing for DOH-Santa Rosa. “Repairs are ongoing, but the building will not be open before the start of the new school year. We are offering the school based clinics in Gulf Breeze and Navarre as a more convenient way for folks at the south end to get those shots. Our

satellite clinic in Jay is only open one morning a month, so the outreach clinic at Jay High School will offer those residents some additional opportunities, as well.”

Shots will be provided on a walk-in basis. No appointment is required. The outreach clinics will provide only the Tdap for 7<sup>th</sup> grade. No additional vaccines or services will be available. Children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Parents are asked to bring a copy of the child’s immunization record.

**Clinic Schedule:**

**Woodlawn Middle School**

1500 Woodlawn Way, Gulf Breeze  
Wednesday, August 6  
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon in the clinic

**Holley-Navarre Middle School**

1976 Williams Creek Drive’ Navarre  
Thursday, August 14  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon in the media center

**Gulf Breeze Middle School**

649 Gulf Breeze Parkway’ Gulf Breeze  
Thursday, August 7  
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon in the clinic

**Jay High School**

3741 School Street, Jay  
Friday, August 15  
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon in the clinic

The Tdap and other immunizations are also available on a walk-in basis at the DOH-Santa Rosa main location, 5527 Stewart Street in Milton. Immunization hours at the main site have also been extended through August 14. **Temporary Immunization Clinic Hours – Milton**

Monday 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
Tuesday 8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p. m.  
Thursday 8:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

For more information, contact DOH-Santa Rosa at (850) 983-5200.

**BRIDGES STEERING COMMITTEE**

What: Joint Steering Committee and Board Meeting  
When: Tuesday, August 12, 2014 4:00-5:30 p.m.  
Where: Emergency Operations Center  
4499 Pine Forest Road Milton, FL 32583 850-983-5360



Bridges Steering Committee Flyer8-20:

**WHITING FIELD JOB FAIR**

# 25th Annual

# Job Fair



**When: August 21, 2014  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

**Where: Sikes Hall  
NAS Whiting Field**

## OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

**Local, Regional, and National Employers will be present. Please bring your most current resume and come prepared to be interviewed!**

*For more information please contact the NAS Whiting Field Fleet and Family Support Center at 623-7177.*

### **NEW SYSTEM TO SPEED EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION** **-RESIDENTS ASKED TO REGISTER PHONE NUMBERS-**

Santa Rosa County Division of Emergency Management has a new emergency warning tool that provides rapid phone notifications to residents when public safety may be at risk. In the event of an emergency, GeoCast®Web will be utilized to make rapid emergency telephone notifications to residents and businesses in an impacted area. Citizens can register and manage their account including updating or deleting phone numbers online at <https://santarosa.onthealert.com>.

Used during time sensitive emergencies like chemical spills, hazardous materials incidents, flooding and evacuations the new GeoCast®Web phone notification system utilizes highly advanced digital mapping technologies and phone databases to automatically call registered phone numbers in a target location with a recorded message on what steps residents should take to keep their family safe. The system will also be utilized for less time sensitive but important messages, including those provided by the sheriff's office to notify residents of crimes impacting a particular area.

Individuals may register for notifications via the county's website, [www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency), or directly through the system's self-registration web portal located at <https://santarosa.onthealert.com>. All information provided by residents will be used for emergency notifications only. While Santa Rosa County offers this emergency notification service free of charge, minutes may be deducted from individual cell phone plans. Calls will typically be less than two minutes.

All listed landline phone numbers in the county will be ported into the new system. However, unlisted numbers, cell phones and some VoIP phones are not, and registration is required to receive notifications. For this reason all residents and business owners are asked to register even if their phone number may already be in the system. By doing so, a personal account is created and residents can manage their information including updating phone numbers or even deleting accounts when relocating out of the area. Citizens without home Internet access are encouraged to use the public computer resources available at one of the five county libraries.

"Ensuring timely and adequate warning to the public during times of potential or imminent danger is one of the more important jobs we have as emergency managers," said Brad Baker, emergency management director. "We are always looking for ways to improve risk communications to county residents and businesses."

Baker continued, "Even though we have the new emergency phone notification system, we still want to remind everyone that no single tool will provide enough warning to all people in all situations. While this new system may give us emergency officials greater capabilities, it is only one component of the overall public safety communications strategy. During emergencies, people should always seek out information on the county website at [www.santarosa.fl.gov](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov), Twitter account [@SRCBOCC](https://twitter.com/SRCBOCC), and from our local media."

The new emergency phone notification system is replacing the previous system called REVERSE 911®. The old system used 24 phone lines and could make approximately 1,240 calls per hour. The GeoCast®Web system is web based and offers enhanced warning capability with up to 6,000 calls per hour. The messages can be received by landline, cell and VoIP phones. As the system is web based, staff can send messages wherever they have an Internet connection.

More information about the emergency notification system, including an informational flyer and frequently asked questions, are available at [www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency](http://www.santarosa.fl.gov/emergency).

### **SAFE COMMUNITY LOGO**

The following is from the National Safety Council:

For each of our communities, we develop a personalized logo. Attached is the logo, with your community name, to be used widely by your coalition. Below are a few recommendations on how you can use the logo, but this is not an exhaustive list. Be creative and use this logo in ways to that will benefit your work and show off your community.

- Website, social media (Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter).
- Community communications – emails, email signatures, letterhead, envelope/return addresses, newsletters, event promotion or communication, etc.

- Street signs, road signs, community welcome signs, banners.
- Promotional materials – t-shirts, pens, calendars, stickers.

What we ask from you is to share with us, how you will or have used the logo. There will be some time during our networking conference in September, to share. And, please encourage all your coalition members and city/town representatives to use this logo as well. You are all part of this network and we hope this logo will help you display your accomplishments.



For copies contact Daniel at Danielh@santarosa.fl.gov

**VETERAN CRISIS HOTLINE INFORMATION**

1-800-273-8255 and press 1  
 VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat for online chat  
 Or text 838255 to receive support

**HOMELESS RESOURCES FOR VETERANS**

The links below contain helpful information and often funding opportunities for those of you that serve veterans. Important Links

- [VA National Call Center for Homeless Veterans](#)
- [VA Center on Homelessness Among Veterans](#)
- [DOL Homeless Veteran Reintegration Program](#)
- [United States Interagency Council on Homelessness Veterans Page](#)
- [Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Military Families Pages](#)

John Johnson, Executive Director, EscaRosa Coalition on the Homeless, Inc. 850.439.3009

**GET PREPARED**

<http://do1thing.com/>

This web page is an awesome way to incrementally get your family and business ready for any disaster.

**TWITTER**

SAFER Santa Rosa is on Twitter.

**FACEBOOK**

SAFER is on Facebook, find us, and become our friend ;-). We are up to **1786** people! Invite friends. [Let's keep growing this communications venue. Invite other Santa Rosans to participate.](#) Invite your Santa Rosa friends to join you on the SAFER Facebook page.



Use of barricades policy: Free to parades and other events in Santa Rosa County that are sponsored by a chambers or government entities (Christmas parades, Mardi Gras, 4<sup>th</sup> of July

etc...) or non profits, that are hosting events that are free and open to the public. The user is responsible for transportation of barricades, AND banners advertizing sponsors MUST be put on barricades. Others wanting to use the barricades must provide transportation and rent barricades at a cost of \$5 per barricade. Additional fees may be applicable if barricades are not returned within 7 days of pick up/delivery. Barricades will cost \$8 each if delivery is required. Average rental price for barricades is \$9-\$13 each through other vendors. SAFER barricades are a bargain.

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

*There is no better exercise for your heart, than reaching down and helping to lift someone up. - Bernard Meltzer*

### **ADVANCED CITIZEN CORPS ACADEMY:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3TDJSBK>

### **G-300 INTERMEDIATE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM FOR EXPANDING INCIDENTS**

Okaloosa has scheduled an ICS 300 class in August. *Please see link to details about the course and registration below.* If you would assume a supervisory role in an incident, perform EOC liaison, or Agency ECO roles, this class is for you.

The basic Incident Command System (ICS) classes ( IS 100, 200, 700 & 800) are prerequisites, but they can all be taken for free, online. <https://training.fema.gov/IS/NIMS.aspx>

Sign up at:

<http://trac.floridadisaster.org/trac/EventDetailPublic.aspx?ID=1336&mode=ModeEdit&LookupName=eventsearchpublic>

### **JUST IN TIME DISASTER TRAINING VIDEO LIBRARY - NEW SUBJECT - HOME CLEAN-UP AND RE-CONSTRUCTION FOLLOWING A DISASTER**



#### **Just In Time Disaster Training Video Library**

**New Subject – Home Clean-Up and  
Re-Construction Following a Disaster**

A new subject has been added to the Just In Time Disaster Training Video Library.

#### **Home Clean-Up and Re-Construction Following a Disaster**

Now with 1,072 disaster mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery training videos the library is the most comprehensive, easy to search, **FREE** internet based source for training curriculum for today's emergency responders.

The library can be accessed at the following web site:

[www.JustInTimeDisasterTraining.org](http://www.JustInTimeDisasterTraining.org)

Share access to this unique disaster training resource with others by linking your web site to the library today.

Join the Just In Time Disaster Training Library's [Twitter](#).

### **BRIDGES TRAINERS - GET RECERTIFIED ONLINE!**

Is your Bridges Out of Poverty trainer certification more than two years old? Do you need to recertify but don't have a lot in your travel budget?

There are several upcoming opportunities to recertify online with Phil DeVol:  
**Nov 20, 2014 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (CDT)**

You can also convert to [Lifetime Certification](#) at this time.

What are the benefits of having a Lifetime Certification?

- Monthly trainer tips
- Newsletters
- Online support
- **Attend biennial online recertification sessions for free!**

This not only saves money; it also saves you time out of your office.

[Register today!](#)

For more information, email us at [questions@bridgesoutofpoverty.com](mailto:questions@bridgesoutofpoverty.com), or call us at (800) 424-9484. We look forward to working with you! The Bridges Out of Poverty Team

### **BUILDING RESILIENT COMMUNITIES: AN ONLINE TRAINING**

The RAND Corporation developed a free emergency preparedness [online training](#) outlining how organizations and communities can better prepare for emergencies and strengthen their resilience. Resilience means:

- mitigating and withstanding the stress of manmade and natural disasters.
- recovering in a way that restores normal functioning.
- applying lessons learned from past responses to better withstand future incidents.

The training is intended for a diverse range of organizations, including businesses; faith-based organizations; hospitals, health clinics, and other health agencies; mental health providers; schools and universities; civic and volunteer groups; first responders; local government agencies; public health departments; and nonprofit agencies.

### **NEWS (blue is new)**

*Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has. --Margaret Mead*

How Do You Handle Volunteers?

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/emergency-blogs/crisis-comm/How-do-you-handle-volunteers.html>

There Are No Victims Here: Creating an Empowered Survivor Culture

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/training/Creating-an-Empowered-Survivor-Culture.html>

7 Factors for Effectively Adding Social Media Monitoring into Operations

<http://www.emergencymgmt.com/training/7-Factors-Adding-Social-Media-Monitoring-Operations.html>

6.5 million homes at risk from storm surges

[http://money.cnn.com/2014/07/10/real\\_estate/storm-surge-risk/index.html](http://money.cnn.com/2014/07/10/real_estate/storm-surge-risk/index.html)

How Urban Resilience Can Make Cities and Nations Safer from Disasters

[http://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/blog/how-urban-resilience-can-make-cities?utm\\_source=Social%20Media](http://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/blog/how-urban-resilience-can-make-cities?utm_source=Social%20Media)