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1. Importance Guidance on Assisting Hurricane Harvey Response & Recovery

Governor Malloy, along with Lt. Governor Wyman and Commissioner Schriro has issued important guidance (below) on how we can best help survivors cope with the impacts of Hurricane Harvey.

In addition, any requests for assistance from Texas or Louisiana are coordinated through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact or EMAC, the state-to-state system used throughout the country to provide requested mutual aid. As the state point of contact for EMAC, we are actively engaged in reviewing all requests. Our Regional Coordinators are keeping track of your offers of assistance in case a need for those resources are identified by the requesting states.

Please do not consider self-deploying. This storm event is still very dangerous, with the potential to impact additional areas of Texas and Louisiana. As the situation changes, needs may also change in these areas. We will continue to monitor any requests for assistance from our brothers and sisters in Texas and Louisiana.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
GOVERNOR DANNEL P. MALLOY

GOV. MALLOY ADVISES RESIDENTS ON HOW THEY CAN SAFELY ASSIST WITH HURRICANE HARVEY RESPONSE AND RECOVERY

Urges Donors to Take Several Precautionary Steps Before Giving to Ensure Their Generous Donations Are Going to Reputable Organizations

(HARTFORD, CT) – Governor Dannel P. Malloy is advising Connecticut residents who are generously considering providing monetary donations to nonprofit organizations that are assisting with Hurricane Harvey response and recovery in the Texas area to take several steps of precaution in order to ensure that their charitable giving is being used in accordance with the intent in which it was given.

"Past experience has taught us that the best way we can help survivors in a disaster, particularly in the first days, is to donate funds to trusted charitable organizations that are often on the frontlines working in close partnership with first responders," Governor Malloy said. "These funds will help those in need as the Houston region begins to recover. We are grateful to these organizations and to the first responders for all the direct assistance they are providing to the people impacted by this storm."

"Connecticut knows first-hand how important assistance and resources are during storm recovery," Lt. Governor Nancy Wyman said. "I urge residents to donate through these trusted sources so help gets to the people who need it the most."

Catastrophic situations can unfortunately be opportunities for fraud. Scam charities often solicit funds via email, telephone, and even pop-up ads on social media. It is always important to do research on a charity before giving by visiting the organization's website, calling to ask questions, and making sure they have the appropriate credentials in the states they operate. Consumers are encouraged to donate to organizations they are familiar with in order to ensure their money is going to the best place possible.

"We urge everyone to remain vigilant when responding to requests to assist flood victims in Texas and Louisiana," Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection Commissioner Dora Schriro said. "Donors should exercise caution when responding to any email with a subject line, attachment, or hyperlink related to Hurricane Harvey, even if it appears to originate from a trusted source."

Donors considering giving to those in need are encouraged to take the following precautions before transmitting funds:

- Use caution when opening email attachments.
- Do not log onto an unsolicited web link.
- Keep antivirus and other computer software on your computer up-to-date.
- Verify the authenticity of any email solicitation by contacting the organization directly through a bona fide contact number; the BBB National Charity Report Index is an excellent resource.

The following is a list of some of the reputable organizations currently accepting donations for Hurricane Harvey. Please note that this is not an exhaustive list of all charitable organizations providing assistance to those impacted by the storm:

CT 211
- Online: https://uwc.211ct.org/hurricane-harvey

Red Cross
- Online: http://redcross.org
- Call: 1-800-RED CROSS
- Text: HARVEY to 90999 to make a $10 donation

Americares
- Online: http://www.americares.org
- Call: 1-800-486-HELP

United Way Houston
- Online: http://www.unitedwayhouston.org/flood
- Text: UWFLOOD to 41444

Food Banks in Hurricane Harvey-Impacted Areas
- Houston Food Bank: www.houstonfoodbank.org
- Galveston Food Bank: www.galvestoncountyfoodbank.org
- Food Bank of the Golden Crescent (Victoria): www.victoriafoodbank.org
- Corpus Christi Food Bank: www.foodbankcc.com
- Southeast Texas Food Bank (Beaumont): www.setxfoodbank.org
- Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley (Pharr): www.foodbankrgv.com
- Brazos Valley Food Bank (Bryan): www.bvfb.org
- Central Texas Food Bank (Austin): www.centraltexasfoodbank.org
- San Antonio Food Bank: www.safoodbank.org

Additionally, a listing of organizations that have been vetted by FEMA can be found here.

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2. Firefighter in Need of Aluminum Wheel Chair Ramp

We are looking to install an aluminum Wheel Chair Ramp at the back of a local firefighter's home. If anyone has any Aluminum ramps they could donate, please contact Jack Regier at (860) 622-1331 (Cell) or (860) 688-8680 (Home). With grateful appreciation!

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3. Milford Fire Muster – Saturday, September 9th

46TH Annual Antique Fire Apparatus Show and Muster on Saturday, September 9, 2017

General Information

North Haven's (West Ridge Fire Association) 1925 American LaFrance Will be the Featured Apparatus at this year's Event!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
08:00 Motorcade line-up at the Liberty Rock Shopping Plaza
08:30 Firematic flea market opens at muster site
09:00 Motorcade starts promptly, leaving the Liberty Rock Plaza through Milford center to Eisenhower Park
10:00 Opening ceremonies
10:30 Competition begins
17:00 Awards and trophy presentations
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Scheduled competitions: arena pumping, lakeside draft, ladder climb, bucket brigade, tug-o-war, water barrel, midnight alarm and structured hose lay.

For your convenience, food and beverage booths will be available. We would like to emphasize the importance of
patronizing this refreshment area as the proceeds benefit the Milford Recreation Department's Children with
Special Needs Program “Camp Happiness”.

For More information go to our website; www.engine260.org

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4. Accelerated Emergency Medical Technician Course - East Hartford

Dates/Times: September 11, 2017 to October 12, 2017 - Monday to Thursday - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Location: Code One East Hartford - 121 Roberts Street (our new building) - East Hartford, CT 06108

Details: Code One’s 5 week, 180 hour intensive Emergency Medical Technician program has graduated hundreds of professional responders since the first program began in 2007. Code One graduates work and volunteer throughout the United States and include police officers, military, firefighters, and federal agents. Many Code One graduates have furthered their education in emergency medicine and now work as nurses, physicians, and paramedics. Code One’s team of instructors are motivated to provide the best training program available.

Invoicing: Fire/EMS/Police agencies can be invoiced for participants. Please have participants register with the discount code "INVOICE" and then provide invoicing instructions in their registration notes. Invoicing instructions should include the agency name, point of contact, email to send the invoice to, and PO number if it is needed on the invoice. If you have 4+ participants interested in attending, please contact Rich for a group discount (rich@code1web.com).

Register: Participants can register at www.code1web.com/emt

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5. Operation Save a Life 2017

Operation Save a Life 2017 will be held at the New Haven Fire School on Ella Grasso Blvd on September 14 starting at 1100. This event is sponsored by WTNH, Kidde, The Home Depot, Yale New Haven Health and the CT Fire Chiefs Association. Please see the attached flyer for more information. If your department plans on attending please respond to Connie Fitch at WTNH at : connie.fitch@wtnh.com. We hope to see you there.

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6. USFA Webinar: Igniting Behavior Change — A Tactical Approach to Fire Safety Communication

In the world of public fire safety education, we often meet people who need to change risky behaviors—or adopt safe behaviors—but are ambivalent about doing so. Numerous studies have shown that simply conveying facts often is not enough to promote action and change. This webinar will cover motivational interviewing (MI) as a tactical approach to more effective fire safety communication.
You are invited to join the fifth webinar in U.S. Fire Administration's (USFA) Fire is Everyone's Fight™ Webinar Series. In this webinar, we will provide participants an opportunity to learn more about what MI is and how it differs from other styles of communication. Participants will observe MI as style of communication for engaging individuals and groups of community members to promote public safety.

Wednesday, August 30, 2017
2:00 – 3:00 pm EDT
Attendance is limited so register today!

https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5188367057753884163
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7. Middletown FD Hosting Aerial Operator Course

The Middletown Fire Department will be hosting Aerial Operator. The dates of the class are: September 20th, 21st, 22nd,27th, 28th & 29th. The written Examination will be on October 10th. The cost of the class is $ 220. Reservations can be made by Contacting Middletown Assistant Fire Chief Jay Woron at john.woron@middletownct.gov or by calling 860-638-3204.

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