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Flagler entities applying for FEMA ‘Public Assistance’ must attend Monday meeting

November 2, 2016 – Flagler County’s municipalities and private non-profit organizations that intend to apply for public assistance with governmental recovery expenses related to Hurricane Matthew must attend a Monday meeting about the process.

“It is very important for all of our partners to attend this meeting,” said Steve Garten, Flagler County Public Safety Emergency Manager. “This is a critical step to get those expenses covered through FEMA funding.”

The meeting will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, November 7, at the Emergency Operations Center, 1769 E. Moody Blvd., Building 3.

Eligible entities must first register at www.floridapa.org to begin the process. That application deadline is also November 7.

Applicants will be asked to sign on as either “new user” or “existing user” and should follow the instructions provided on the website after clicking on the button to apply for Hurricane Matthew assistance.

FEMA on October 26 added “permanent work” categories that include public assistance for: roads and bridges; water control facilities; public buildings and their contents; public utilities; and parks and recreational facilities as the fifth amendment to its Major Disaster declaration.

Certain private non-profit organizations may also receive assistance, such as: educational, utility, emergency, medical, temporary or permanent custodial care facilities, irrigation, museums, community centers, libraries, rehabilitation facilities, shelter workshops, health and safety services, as well as others deemed to “provide essential services of a governmental nature to the general public.”

“We want everyone to be aware that this date is fast approaching,” Garten said.

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