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Officials, first responders to hand out Disaster Preparedness Guides July 1-2

June 27, 2017 – Officials and first responders will spend a portion of their weekend handing out Disaster Preparedness Guides in the areas hardest hit by Hurricane Matthew.

Residents can pick up a guide at Publix supermarkets in Flagler Beach, the Hammock, and Palm Coast at the Island Walk location only, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 1-2.

“We want to ensure we are getting critical information into the hands of our residents,” said Flagler County Public Safety Emergency Manager Steve Garten. “It will be valuable for residents to make themselves familiar with the guide before anything puts them in the position where they ‘need’ it.”

The 24-page guide is a tool for preparation, and has an abundance of information that is always useful – regardless of the season – such as the difference between a weather watch and a weather warning. A watch is issued when hazardous weather conditions are possible, and a warning is issued when hazardous weather has already been detected or is imminent.

“The highest priority is the safety of our residents,” Garten said.

Elected officials from the cities of Flagler Beach and Palm Coast, as well as Flagler County will be assisting first responders on both Saturday and Sunday.

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