# **Emergency Management** WEEK IN REVIEW

#### Welcome

Franklin County Emergency Management (FCEM) is dedicated to the prevention, mitigation, preparation for, response to, and recovery from both man-made and natural disasters.

Our team of staff and volunteers work tirelessly to serve you: the people of Franklin County.



#### Latest News



Ways to survive an active shooter event.

### <u>FCEM Partakes in Active</u> <u>Shooter Training</u>

# FCEM Coordinator Amanda Anthony took active shooter training with Department of Health.

Active shooters are a growing problem across the country, and as any hazard we must prepare for it. A simulated active shooter event is an effective means of preparing for this atrocity. The Franklin County Department of Health hosted one of these training events.

EOC Coordinator Amanda Anthony attended this exercise, and has come back with ideas on how to improve other active shooter plans to ensure the safety of other agencies and businesses.

If an active shooter takes place around you, remember to Run, Hide, Fight. If you are able to, then run away. If this proves to be impossible, then hide by barricading yourself in a room. If all else fails fight like your life depends on it.

#### EOC News

### Emergency Management Staff & Volunteers

Shining a spotlight on the people who make this agency function.



Rob Zingarelli does volunteer auxiliary communications and related support for FCEM. This includes amateur and other radio operations, teaching radio licensing classes, and working on two-way radio station design, construction, and maintenance.

A fourth generation Apalachicola citizen, he is also a research physicist recently retired from a 30-year career in underwater acoustics at the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory, holds a PhD in experimental nuclear physics from Florida State University, a BS in computational physics from Carnegie-Mellon University, and is a 1980 graduate of Apalachicola High School. In his spare time, he hikes, hunts, fishes, rides his bicycle, dabbles in obscure corners of physics & math, and (of course) talks all over the country via amateur radio.

### Florida Transportation Disadvantaged Program

#### Providing transport for those who do not have it.

The State of Florida offers transportation for those who are disabled or financially challenged. This service offers transportation to medical appointments, employment opportunities, and even just shopping. Franklin County Emergency Management coordinates with transportation during evacuations.

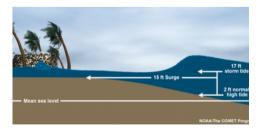
You can donate funds to help those in Franklin County. When you renew your vehicle registration you can choose to donate to the TXD program. The state will match 100% of your donation, and those funds will come back to help those in need in Franklin County.

Scan the QR code to go to the FCEM website page about this program.



## <u>Understanding Storm Surge</u>

One of the greatest hazards of a tropical system.



National Hurricane Center diagram of a storm surge.

Storm surge is the mass of water thrust upon the shore by the motion and wind of a tropical system. This causes massive damage through large waves and widespread flooding. This is not limited to coasts on the ocean or Gulf of Mexico. Even rivers and streams are at risk.

This poses an especially large risk in Franklin County as the entire county is a flood zone. Prepare your home and family by having a plan. Use sand bags to barricade doors and vents into your home to help prevent flooding.

#### Weather Outlook

	<u>Mon, 27 Nov</u>	<u>Tue, 28 Nov</u>	<u>Wed, 29 Nov</u>	<u>Thu, 30 Nov</u>	<u>Fri, 01 Dec</u>
Weather					
	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Cloudy with Thunderstorms
High Temp. (F)	64	60	61	64	75
Low Temp. (F)	41	38	34	36	47

### EOC Tip of the Week



### Cold Weather Safety

Cold weather brings its own unique set of dangers to be wary of.

- Use caution when crossing bridges. These can freeze before other areas, creating dangerous driving conditions.
- NEVER use a gas oven to heat your home. It produces carbon monoxide, which is a deadly gas that kills about 1,000 lives a year in America.
- Insulate exterior pipes. The water within can freeze causing the pipes to burst.
- Leave faucets running at a trickle at night. This makes it more difficult for the pipes to freeze.

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