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# SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH!

The Department of Health in Dixie County will be partnering with our local Emergency Management to promote and encourage National "Preparedness" Month.

Below is a list of activities we have planned for our staff and community.

Week #1 August 31-September 4, 2015

# Personal Preparedness & Flooding

• DOH to host the Surgeon General/Secretary of Health @ the Dixie County Board of County Commission meeting on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. DOH will be presenting a slideshow to highlight the importance of collaborating with community partners such as EM. We will showcase our recent team efforts in the Dixie County Flooding event.

# Week #2 September 7-11, 2015

# Education & Training

- Highlight importance on personal preparedness and encourage staff to make a plan for family and pets. (Post on Social Media Sites and Department Websites, etc.)
- EM Chief & Preparedness Planner to offer assistance/guidance to staff on how to complete an emergency plan.

# Week #3 September 14-18, 2015

# **Emergency Preparedness Kits & Hurricanes**

• Visit Local Schools and do a presentation on the importance of having an emergency plan and emergency preparedness kit.

#### Week #4 September 21-25, 2015 Proper Athon and Power Outgood

- PreparAthon and Power Outages
  - Visit Nursing Homes and promote and encourage Special Needs Registry.
  - Promote "healthy" emergency food by providing a healthy emergency food checklist to employees/staff.

#### Week #5 September 28-30, 2015 ARE YOU PREPARED?

"Preparedness Ready means a healthy plan for yourself, the family, kids and pets too! Its' that simple!"

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