

CIRCUIT 20 KINSHIP NEWSLETTER



AS SEPTEMBER BEGINS AND THE SCHOOL YEAR KICKS OFF, WE WARMLY WELCOME ALL CAREGIVERS WHO PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN SHAPING OUR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION. THIS MONTH, WE APPRECIATE YOUR DEDICATION AND THE TIME YOU INVEST IN NURTURING YOUNG MINDS. YOUR SUPPORT CREATES A POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT AS STUDENTS TAKE ON NEW LEARNING ADVENTURES. WHETHER HELPING WITH HOMEWORK, ATTENDING EVENTS, OR PROVIDING ENCOURAGEMENT, YOUR EFFORTS ARE INVALUABLE. THANK YOU FOR BEING THE BACKBONE OF OUR COMMUNITIES AND FOR FOSTERING THE GROWTH OF FUTURE GENERATIONS. HERE'S TO A FANTASTIC SEPTEMBER FILLED WITH NEW OPPORTUNITIES AND SHARED SUCCESSES!



MISSION

The Children's Network of Southwest Florida is committed to working with the community to protect children and preserve families

VISION

Building Strong Links for Children in Need.

VALUES

Leadership - The Children's Network of Southwest Florida embraces leadership guided by informed wisdom and common sense, with compassion.

Integrity - The Children's Network of Southwest Florida operates with integrity, honesty, and transparency.

Advocacy - The Children's Network of Southwest Florida advocates for safety, permanency and wellbeing of children and their families.

Stewardship- The Children's Network of Southwest Florida is an active steward committed to the efficient and effective use of resources.

KINSHIP NAVIGATOR C.A.R.E.S

C- Childcare is our priority; we engage with caregivers upon placement and assist in establishing a nurturing home environment for children in care.

A – Assist caregivers to access food stamps, cash benefits, legal services, ELC and other benefits.

R- Referrals for counseling, therapy, and Level 1 licensure are completed. E- Educate caregivers about the resources and services at their disposal.

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S- Support group meetings are conducted to offer caregivers a secure environment for sharing experiences and connecting with fellow caregivers.

If you have questions, please reach out to Greg Reyna at Greg.reyna@cnswfl.org



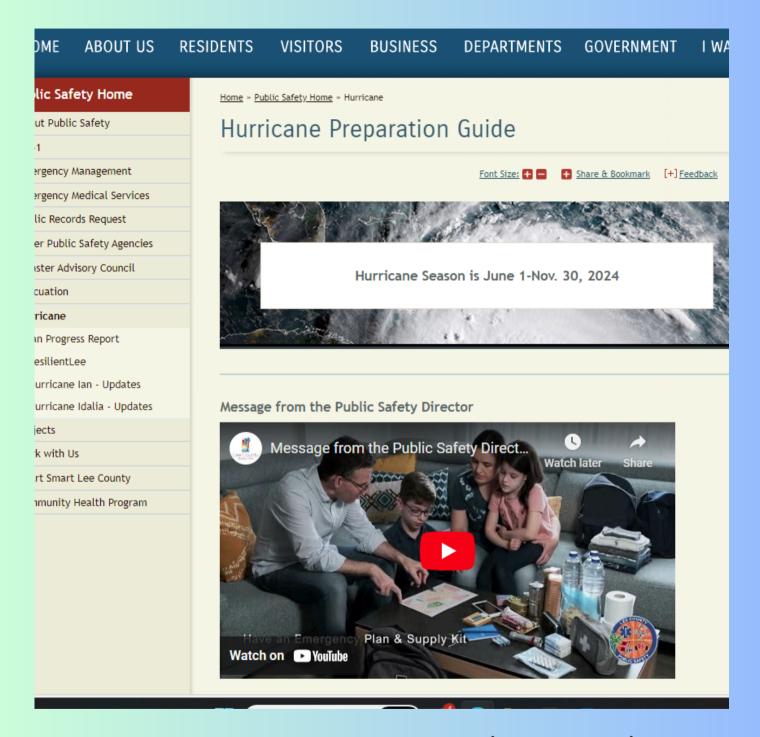
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ONESTOPWORDSEARCH

HURRICAINE SEASON IS JUNE 1ST- NOV 30



Hurricane Preparation Guide (leegov.com)

What is your evacuation plan? Please make sure to share your plan with case worker!

HURRICANE SEASON SAFETY TIPS



Hurricane season runs from **June 1** to **November 30**. We cannot control the weather, but we can control our preparation. Follow the tips below to make sure you and your family keep safe this hurricane season.



LISTEN TO WARNINGS

Delays in heeding storm warnings are a contributing factor to casualties.

People who linger become trapped.

Emergency personnel are then put at risk to save those lives. Do not wait until the last minute. When warnings are given to evacuate and seek shelter, take your family and your "to-go" bags and evacuate.

Homes can be rebuilt. Lives cannot.

PREPARE YOUR FAMILY

It's important to schedule time for yourself and your family to sit down and review your resources and checklists. Give yourself a deadline to have your "to-go" bag, as well as one for each family member, packed and prepared. Then, schedule time together to practice your family's emergency plan.



Know what to do before, during, and after a storm is headed your way. Visit ready.gov/hurricanes to review preparedness tips and more.

DISASTER SUPPLY KIT







Emergency supply kits: your "to-go" bags vary depending on your family's needs. Two items to have at the top of your list are water and baby/pet care.



Water is the number one item you cannot live without. Have one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days in your home should you lose access to running water. And keep water in your "to-go" bag.



Baby/pet care: Don't forget your dependents. Baby care items and food for your pet should be included in your kit.



Reminder: Check your supply kit each year for expired food and water and replace when necessary. Also, do not store your batteries in your flashlight or radio to avoid corrosion.

For a list of recommended supplies, visit ready.gov/kit





KINSHIP CAREGIVER LIAISON

Are you a Kinship or Level 1 caregiver? Need someone to talk to? Someone to help guide you, support you, and provide advice and guidance in accessing services and navigating the Child Welfare System?

Children's Network is pleased to announce our newly developed Kinship Care Liaison Program in SWFL. Help is now just a phone call, email or text away. You will be linked to an experienced Kinship/Level 1 caregiver who can help!

Denese B.

Call/Text: (941) 258-7604

Be sure to leave a voicemail if calling.

Email: Denese06@comcast.net

If you need assistance or have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Denese. They are readily available to provide support and guidance. Whether you need help with a specific issue or just want to discuss your concerns, Denese is here to help you navigate through any challenges you may be facing. Don't hesitate to contact them—you're not alone, and they look forward to assisting you!

Save the Date

Join us for our 19th Annual Walk to

Prevent Child Abuse





Saturday

October 26th, 2024

at Florida SouthWestern State College, Ft. Myers

Mark your calendars!

Fun for the whole family! Activities Include:

- Walk
- Trunk or Treat
- Free Food light breakfast items
- Raffle Prizes
- Vendors

Check-in & Registration

@ 7:00am

Walk begins @ 8:00am

Register Here!

Donate Today!







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FORT MYERS FALL FESTIVAL

2024 5th Annual Fall Adventure Festival and Haunted Maze at Springtime
Farms Adventure Park in North Fort Myers (30 Acre Farm). Open September
28th - October 27th.

OVER 30 ACTIVITIES INCLUDED WITH THE ALL DAY PASS Tickets can be purchased at the farm the day of your visit, ages 2 and under are Free. 200 animals that you can hold touch and feed, Pumpkin Patch, 1 FREE Pumpkin Per Child (While Supply's Last), Petting Zoo (over 200 Animals), 70 Foot Jumping Pillows, 2 Inflatables, 2 Large 24 Foot Tall Dry Slides, New Haunted Maze, Haunted Trail, , Bird Aviary, a Scavenger Hunt, Food Trucks and more.

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TICKETS ONLINE

COLLIER COUNTY SEPTEMBER EVENTS

FAMILY DAY: CELEBRATING LATINO CONSERVATION

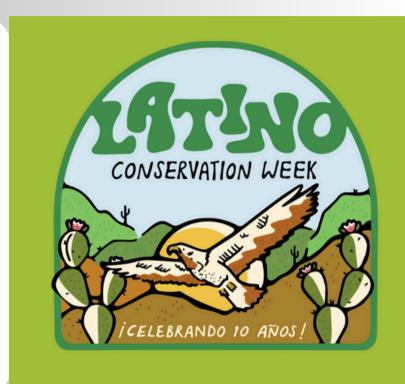
WHERE: 1215 Roberts Avenue West

Immokalee, FL 34142

WHEN: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

10AM TO 12PM

CLICK LINK TO REGISTER FOR EVENT!



It's sunny It's cloudy Will I peed this?? It's stormy It's windy Always check the weather before you go somewhere!

WACKY WEATHER FAMILY DAY!!!

WHERE: 3331 Tamiami Trail East

Naples, FL 34112

WHEN: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

10AM TO 1PM

CLICK LINK TO REGISTER FOR EVENT!