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Gloucester's Emergency Management Department to Host Preparedness Expo on August 6

Gloucester County's Emergency Management Department and partners are gearing up to host a Hurricane Preparedness Expo on Saturday, Aug. 6 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Gloucester Home Depot Store, 6921 Waltons Lane. The Expo is being held to coincide with Virginia's Sales Tax Holiday, where patrons can purchase hurricane and emergency preparedness items without paying sales tax.

The Expo will not only provide a wealth of information from the County regarding what one should do to prepare for a storm but will also offer plenty of refreshments and activities for children. Citizens will have an opportunity to sign up for Bee Alert, Gloucester's new emergency notification system. Assistance for Spanish-speaking residents will also be available onsite.



Visitors to the event will be the LifeEvac helicopter and members of the Gloucester Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad, Inc. with various apparatus. Many important resources will be on hand. There will be snow cones, popcorn, and a limited number of hot dogs. Face Painting and the Home Depot's kids' clinic will also be available! Special appearances will also be made by Chick Fil A and others.

"We appreciate our partnership with Home Depot on hosting this Expo, and we really hope the public will come out and pay us a visit and have some fun – all while learning about what they can do to

prepare for not only hurricanes, but disasters of any kind,” said Jane Wenner, Gloucester’s Emergency Management Coordinator.

For more information on the Expo, contact Gloucester’s Emergency Management Department at 804-693-1390 or DEM@gloucesterva.info.

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ARE YOU PREPARED?

You should be. Sometimes, nature doesn't call first. Get your Preparedness Checklist by visiting www.gloucesterva.info/365/Emergency-Management

Join Gloucester County Emergency Management and partners for a Preparedness Expo Aug. 6, 2022 at the Gloucester Home Depot!

Also... Sign up for BEE Alert Today!

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Interested in Joining Gloucester's Community Emergency Response Team? (C.E.R.T.)

Email DEM@gloucesterva.info or call 804-693-1390 to get more information or complete the Training Form to register for upcoming classes.