Florida Farm Bureau Overview:

- Established in 1941.
- Give Florida farmers a special identity.
- Represent farmers on the local, state and federal levels.
- Compile & disseminate agricultural and market data to farmers.
- Organize county Farm Bureaus.
- FFBF serves 146,752 member-families
Farm Bureau: Mission & Vision

• FFBF Mission:
  “To increase the net income of farmers and ranchers, and to improve the quality of rural life.”

• FFBF Vision:
  “Florida Farm Bureau will be the most effective, influential and respected Farm Bureau in the nation. To truly be recognized as Florida’s 'Voice of Agriculture.’”
# Hurricane Preparedness

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Hurricane Response

- Participated in SART Calls
  - Assisted in Great Grain Train
- Farm Bureau Communication
  - Staff Conference Calls
  - Conference Calls with County FB Presidents
  - Weekly FDACS Commissioner
- Established Agriculture Relief Fund
- Member/Community Outreach
  - Sent Updates through Email List
    - Government Emergency Relief
    - SART Information
  - Supported Community Meals
Dear Florida Farm Bureau Members:

Farmers and ranchers statewide may be experiencing feed, water and other agricultural-related shortages due to Hurricane Irma’s wrath. The Florida Farm Bureau is a partner of the Florida State Agricultural Response Team or SART.

SART is a multi-agency group consisting of governmental and private entities. They are dedicated to supporting agriculture by coordinating resources, sharing pertinent information and fostering cooperation between relevant agencies and organizations.

When a natural disaster strikes, thousands of residents, livestock and pets are looking for shelter. SART operates at the local level through County SART organizations on a coordinated preparedness, response and recovery effort to meet the special needs of animals and agriculture.

Some examples of needs that are being addressed in the state include, mobile animal response equipment, livestock trailer with sheltering supplies, livestock panels, temporary holding pens, slings or harnessing for animal rescues.

To find emergency response resources, contact Florida SART.

Sincerely,

Florida Farm Bureau Federation