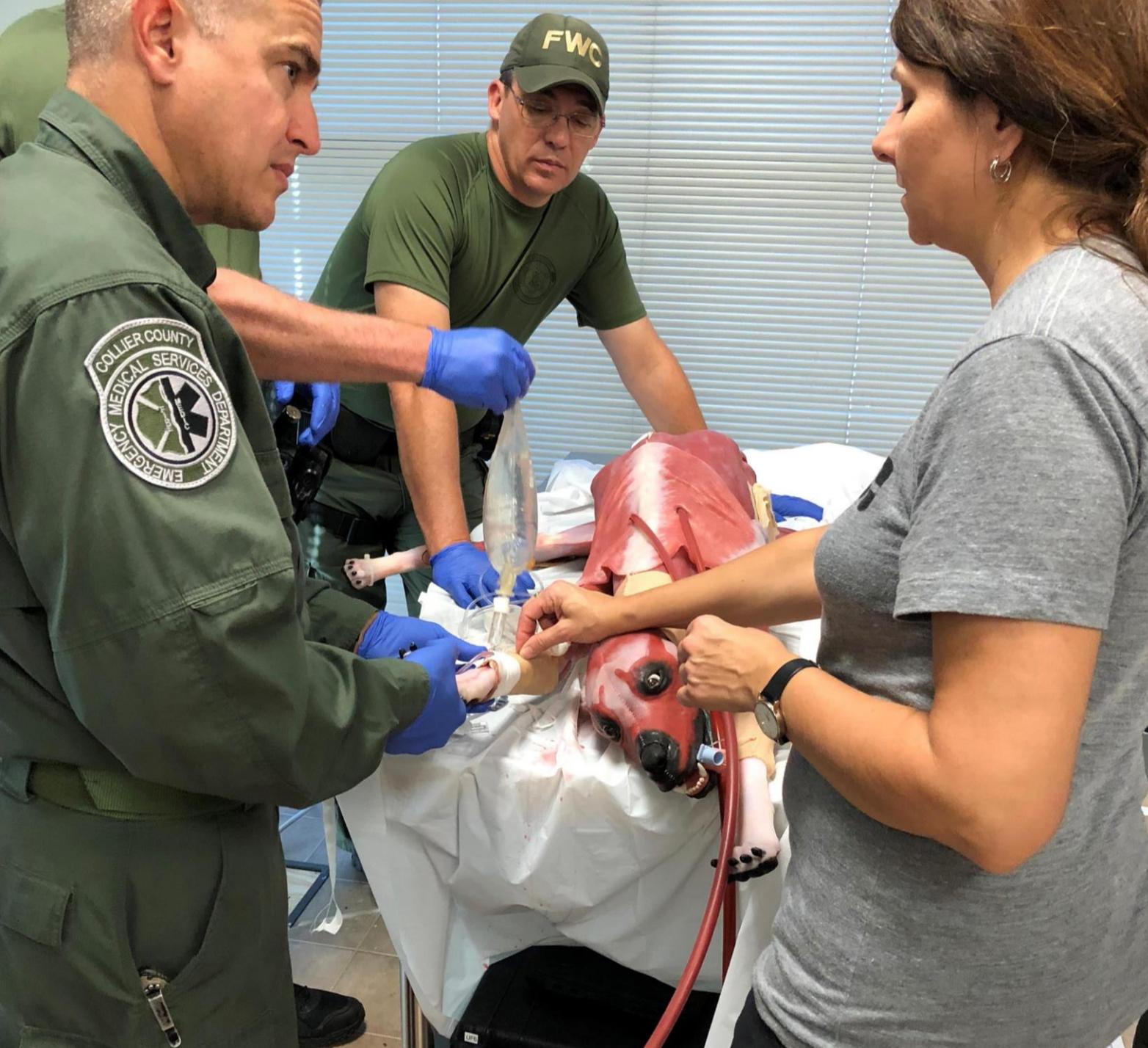




SART Updates

LeiAnna Tucker

Since our last meeting in November 2017...



Training for K9 Handlers

December 5
and 6, 2018

All Hazards Planning for Animal, Agricultural and Food Related Disasters

February 28, 2018



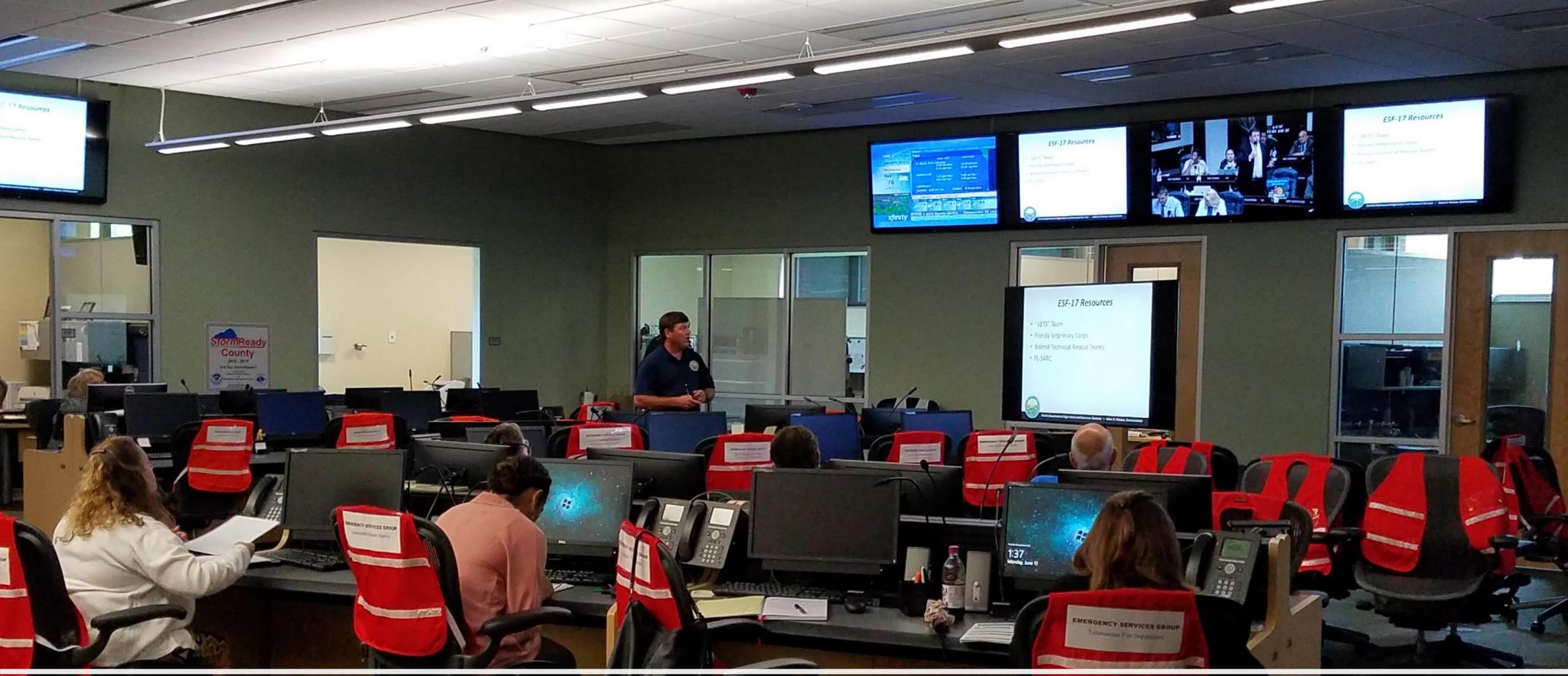


FDACS Incident Management Team Training |
April 2018



Statewide Hurricane Exercise and SART Partners Conference Call
April 30 – May 3, 2018





ESF 17 Annual County Meetings

March – June 2018



2018 Governor's Hurricane Conference

Pet-Friendly Sheltering and PETS Act Reimbursement for Counties

Training Presented by:

Consie, FL SARC

and

LeiAnna Tucker,
FDACS

SART Steering Committee

- Meets monthly
- Plans all trainings, exercises and activities for SART.
- Reviews the budget for SART-funded/approved projects.
- Positively influences SART projects' implementation.
- Meeting minutes are e-mailed to all SART partners.



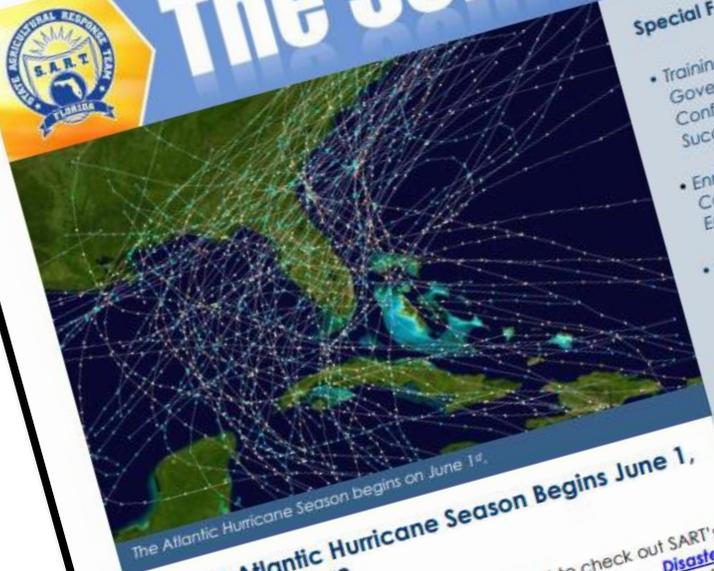


The Sentinel

Newsletter of the Florida State Agricultural Response Team

Special Features of this Issue:

- Training at the 32nd Annual Governor's Hurricane Conference Marked a Success
- Enrollment Open: Multiple Courses for Small Animal Emergency Sheltering
- New Antibiotic Found in Tobacco Flowers Tears into Superbugs



The Atlantic Hurricane Season begins on June 1.

The 2018 Atlantic Hurricane Season Begins June 1, Are you Prepared?

Following Alberto, Subtropical Storm of Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam is reminding Floridians to prepare for the 2018 hurricane season, which officially begins June 1. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predicts another above-average hurricane season.

"As Floridians, we understand the threat of hurricane season all too well," said Commissioner Putnam. "It's imperative that Floridians have a plan in place to protect their families, homes and businesses this hurricane season."

But what about my pets?

Well, Florida SART has you covered! Visit SART's [Pet-Friendly Sheltering Resources](#) webpage for training material and volunteer information on pet sheltering. And

don't forget to check out SART's [Disaster Preparedness for Pets](#) for helpful information on evacuation planning and tips for pets. SART encourages you to share this information! Additionally, as we begin hurricane season, it is imperative that we assure all contact information is accurate and up-to-date before an activation.

County contact information such as your County Emergency Operation Center, ESF-17 Coordinator, and County Extension Office is a resourceful and highly-utilized feature on the SART website, especially during an activation or exercise. In the event of a disaster, proper preparation will pay off.

See Hurricane Season, page 4.

"Antibiotic resistance at the current rate will eventually lead to the exhaustion of effective long-term drug options. It's imperative we develop new antibiotic treatments."

— Dr. Mark Hulett
La Trobe Institute for Molecular Science
See page 8 for the story.



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2018 Legislative Update

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Statutory Authority for SART

- Chapter 252, State Emergency Management Act, is amended to create section 252.3569, Florida Statutes (F.S.).
- Section 252.3569, F.S., creates statutory authority for SART.
- Effective July 1, 2018

History

- *CS/CS/SB 740 Approved by the Governor on March 23, 2018.*
- *Published in Chapter 2018-84, Laws of Florida, on March 23, 2018.*

2018 Legislative Update

State Funding for SART

- 2018 General Appropriations Act (HB 5001) approved by the Governor.
- Allocates \$300,000 from General Revenue Fund to SART for State Fiscal Year 2018 – 2019.
- Funds provided to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to coordinate the state's response to animal and agricultural issues in Florida in the event of an emergency or disaster situation.

DHS Funding for SART

- The state will no longer pursue funding for SART under the Statewide Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP).
- SHSP funding for SART will end 2020.

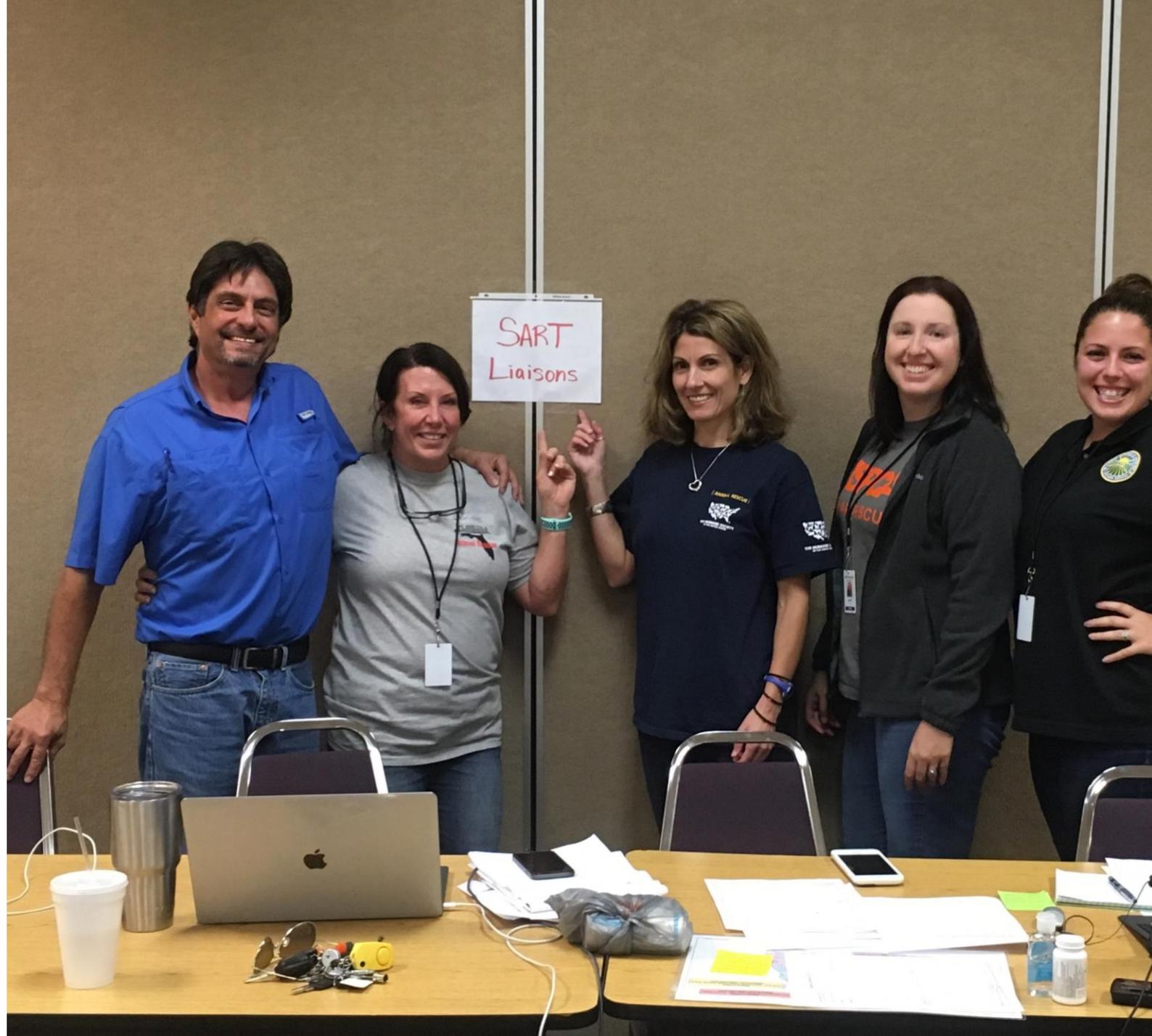


Hurricane Preparedness

Hurricane Preparedness – Improvement Plan

SART Liaisons at the Incident Command Post (ICP)

- SART Liaison in ICS terms = Agency Representative from each Assisting Agency
- Need more SART Liaisons on-site at the ICP.
- Support Operations Section



A man in a military uniform is standing on a truck that is heavily loaded with supplies. The truck is parked on a gravel surface, and there are other vehicles and equipment visible in the background. The scene appears to be a military or emergency supply depot. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent circular area on the left side of the image.

Hurricane Preparedness – Improvement Plan

Support Capabilities for Pet-Friendly Sheltering

- Created a guidance document.
- Provided guidance document to all 67 counties, ESF 6 Mass Care, and the Florida Division of Emergency Management.

Hurricane Preparedness – Improvement Plan

Donations and Feed Branch

- Logistics and staging areas
- Pre-assigned IMT personnel
- Coordinate feed distribution and needs with SART partners.



Hurricane Preparedness – Improvement Plan

Information and Communication Flow

- Attend conference calls.
- Serve as SART Liaison at ICP.
- Push<>Pull information for response.
- Leverage SART website.
- Must always work to improve information and communication flow.



Organizational Document



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- Revise the current SART “Strategic Plan.”
- Create a SART Concept of Operations that provides guidance on:
 - *Role of State ESF 17 and SART*
 - *Mission request procedure*
 - *SART Liaison responsibilities, expectations, operational work hours, etc.*
 - *Reimbursement of expenses.*