

COVER MEMORANDUM

Date:

June 6, 2024

To:

Honorable Mayor and Commissioners

Via:

Albert P. Childress

City Manager

From:

Alan Averette

Key West Fire Chief

Subject:

24-5997 Tiffany Pellicier (Grant Manager) with United Way of Collier and the Keys,

Power Point Presentation on long term recovery after Hurricane Ian overview.

Introduction

The City of Key West's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) is one of the core planning documents that explains how the City plans to respond to disasters and/or actual emergencies, and helps to guide the City's actions and response to all types of emergencies. In preparation of the City's Emergency Management actions and response to disasters and actual emergencies, the City's Emergency Manager partners with many community stakeholders and non-profits to take advantage of the "Whole Community Approach" to emergency management. This power point presentation is an overview of the work that was performed after Hurricane Ian by United Way of Collier and the Keys, who is one of the City's non-profit emergency management partners. United Way of Collier and the Keys Grant Manager Tiffany Pellicier will present the overview.

Background

In September of 2022 the City of Key West was impacted by the effects of Hurricane Ian, including flooding, storm surges, high winds, storm tides, and a major structure fire on Flagler Ave. that destroyed homes and businesses and displaced approximately forty (40) residents. In response to the effects of Hurricane Ian the City's Emergency Manager partnered with many community stakeholders and non-profits to take advantage of the "Whole Community Approach" to manage the recovery efforts to those residents in Key West who fell victim to Hurricane Ian. United Way of Collier and the Keys was on the front line of these recovery efforts along with Community Organizations Active in Disasters (COAD), the

Salvation Army, SOS Foundation, Bluewater in the Keys Community Church, Monroe County Emergency Reserve Corps (MERC), St. Vincent DePaul, Monroe County Emergency Management, and the American Red Cross. This overview presentation by Tiffany Pellicier will highlight some of the ongoing recovery efforts, funding sources, and lessons learned after Hurricane Ian.

Recommendation

It is the recommendation of the City's Emergency Manager for all to encourage and publicly support our community partners, community stakeholders, and non-profits who play a vital role in the City's recovery efforts after hurricanes, disasters, and emergencies. Your support of these organizations will help strengthen the City of Key West's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) and help the City's Emergency Manager's efforts to prepare for, respond to, and recover from hurricanes, disasters, and emergencies.

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