

**THE COUNTY OF LIBERTY  
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

**KEN DEFOOR; COORDINATOR**

2103 Cos St.  
Liberty, Texas 77575

(936) 334-3219  
fax (936) 336-3172

June 8, 2007

**PRESS RELEASE**

With the 2007 Hurricane season now upon us, the primary focus of Federal, State and local Officials are the "special needs" citizens within our community who may, during an evacuation, need assistance in leaving their areas. The special needs category would include those who simply do not have automobiles in which to evacuate to those persons who would need any type of medical assistance, including the services of an ambulance to evacuate to the designated out of area shelter or medical facility.

In order to preplan and better facilitate the evacuation process and to know, in advance, approximately how many and what type vehicles will be needed, what medical supplies to have available and where our communities special needs citizens are located, local Officials are requesting certain information. The attached form can be used to simply cut out and fill in the information and mail it to your local Office of Emergency Management.

Citizens can also call their respective OEM's and give this information over the telephone or a third method would be to call the State number of "211" and give them the information. Your local Office of Emergency Management can then access the "211" number and get your information from that source.

If you are a special needs person and live outside the Cities of Liberty or Cleveland, you may call (936) 334-3219 ( Cleveland area number 281-593-0405 ) or mail the attached form to Liberty County Office of Emergency Management, 2103 Cos St. Liberty, Texas, 77575.

If you live inside the city limits of Liberty, you may call (936) 336-3922 or mail the attached form to, City of Liberty Office of Emergency Management, 1912 Lakeland, Liberty, Texas, 77575.

For those citizens living inside the city limits of Cleveland, they may call (281) 592-8721 and report their needs or, again, fill out the attached form and mail it to City of Cleveland Office of Emergency Management, 203 East Boothe St. Cleveland, Texas, 77327.

The time to help your Officials pre-plan for your special needs is now. Waiting until a storm is in the Gulf or on shore may be too late to provide the medical services someone would critically need.

<b>NAME</b>	
<b>PHYSICAL ADDRESS</b>	
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>	<b>Area code</b> (   )
<b>NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN HOUSEHOLD</b>	
<b>LIST TYPE OF SPECIAL NEEDS:</b>  <b>NO TRANSPORTATION</b>  <b>MEDICAL</b>  <b>OTHER</b> <b>Explain:</b>	<b>List all medical conditions for each member of the household:</b>
<b>If evacuating alone, can you travel unassisted?</b>	
<b>Will you be evacuating with any pets? If so, what type and how many?</b>	
<b>How will your pet(s) be restrained?</b>	<b>Kennel</b> <b>Muzzle</b>  <b>Cage</b> <b>Other</b> <b>Explain:</b>
<b>Are there any other conditions we need to be aware of?</b>	

