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Lee County to make resources available Thursday to residents experiencing isolated coastal flooding

Fort Myers, FL, Aug. 30, 2023 – Lee County Government will offer two locations Thursday for residents from coastal areas who experienced flooding due to Hurricane Idalia and need resources.

Two Multi-Agency Resource Centers (MARC)s will be staged in Bonita Springs and Pine Island. The sites are:

- Bonita Springs: Bonita Springs East United Way House (The Literary Council Gulf Coast), 26820 Old 41 Road, Bonita Springs, FL 34135
- Pine Island: Pine Island United Way House (Beacon of HOPE), 5090 Doug Taylor Circle, St. James City, FL 33956 (just south of the four-way stop off Stringfellow Road)

Hours at both locations will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Residents are asked to bring a form of local identification such as a driver's license, utility bill or other item with their address. The MARCs are meant to serve those who experienced water intrusion into their homes due to Idalia's onshore winds combined with extreme high tides.

The MARCs will have resources from United Way 211 as well as cleaning supplies and other household items from United Way's Gifts in Kind program. Information related to housing needs and recovery resources will be available from agencies such as the Lee County Department of Human & Veteran Services.

People with damaged residences due to Hurricane Idalia can continue to call United Way's 211 line (dial 2-1-1 or 239-433-3900) for resources or register with Crisis Cleanup by calling 800-451-1954.

For additional Hurricane Idalia updates, visit www.leegov.com/storm or follow Lee County Government on Facebook, www.facebook.com/leecountyflbocc.

To watch Wednesday's overall county update on Idalia, visit: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5KNeXkl289g>.