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Matlacha/Pine Island Fire Control District

The district was awarded a \$5 million grant through the Lee County Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery grant. County Commissioners approved the grant allocation to us September 3rd as part of awarding more than \$229 million in grants for about 20 public facility and infrastructure projects countywide funded by HUD's allocation to Lee County in the wake of Hurricane Ian. This grant was applied for by the fire district for assistance replacing our 1975 fire house in St. James City. This is an enormous accomplishment from your fire district that numerous individuals worked hard on to accomplish. We can't thank Lee County enough for this opportunity and look forward to the new fire station serving our community & visitors!



Crews attended the annual 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony hosted by American Legion Chapter 136.



September 10th, our CERT team strengthened their skills with a lifesaving Stop the Bleed class!



Many of our providers took part in a 9/11 stair climb that pays tribute the 110-story climb undertaken by FDNY firefighters at the World Trade Center.



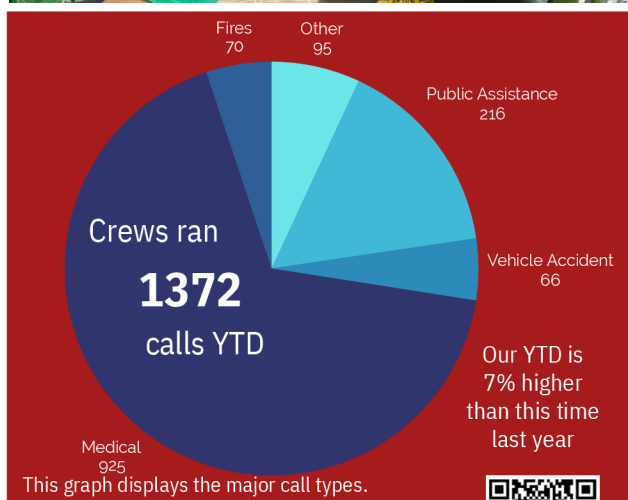
September 29th, crews responded to a large garage that caught fire and was partially extinguished by the homeowner.

HURRICANE HELENE

As Hurricane Helene approached, our CERT team was activated to help distribute free sandbags to the public. The district gave out well over 5,000 sandbags in two days. On the 26th, the day of the storm, A-shift along with additional staff, responded to over 30 calls. Station One was set up as a triage drop point. A back up engine, staffed with an engineer and EMS crew, was on standby to transport patients or assist those displaced by flooding. Matlacha/Pine Island Fire Control District is committed to standing by our community during every challenge, ensuring your safety and well-being. Together, we remain Pine Island Strong!



September 19th, crews responded to a two story residential structure fire in Bokeelia off Manheim Rd.



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