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Re: Lawrence County Voluntary Organization Active in Disaster (LCVOAD)

Dear Sir/Madam

The Department of Public Safety would like to invite you to attend an informational meeting regarding Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD's). There will be two meetings scheduled to accommodate everyone. They will be held Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Lawrence County Department of Public Safety, 1451 County Line Road, New Castle, PA 16101.

The purpose of this first meeting is to introduce attendees, their emergency management staff and learn what our goals and capabilities are. There will also be a representative from the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) presenting information on what VOAD's are and what they do.

The intention of this initial meeting is to re-establish Lawrence County's VOAD. When a disaster occurs it will take the entire community to recover. We would like to establish these relationships now and have training and agreements in place, so when something does happen, we can respond together in a more organized manner.

Please contact Fran Occhibone (724) 202-7016 to indicate the time slot which best suits you.

For more information on VOAD's visit www.ready.gov/voluntary-organizations-active-disaster

We look forward to seeing you on September 24th.

Sincerely yours,

Jeffrey R. Parish, Director