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Tadlock Roofing President Set to Give Away Tarps in Light of Hurricane Season

Tallahassee, FL - June 1, 2018 - Hurricane season begins June 1, and Floridians are bracing for impact as the 2017 season proved to be the most destructive in years, with hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria among the heaviest hitters. In fact, some experts say Atlantic storms are intensifying far more rapidly than they did 30 years ago. In preparation for the worst, Tallahassee business owner, Dale Tadlock, President of Tadlock Roofing, is set to give away more than 500 tarps at the 4th annual Build Your Bucket disaster preparedness expo on Saturday, June 2 from 9 a.m. to noon at the North Florida Fairgrounds, 441 Paul Russell Rd.

Tadlock Roofing has been in business locally since 1980 and has seen firsthand the destruction hurricane season can do to the Tallahassee community. The City of Tallahassee, Leon County Government and the Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross are working to get in front of the major storms anticipated to make landfall in 2018 by hosting the Build Your Bucket expo, equipping more than 800 households with free disaster preparedness buckets and critical starter supplies.

"As a demonstration for how much we care about Tallahassee, we want to be proactive in trying to protect the community in which we live and serve during this 2018 hurricane season. We realize a catastrophic storm could devastate our community and these tarps might get our neighbors by during a time of need," says Dale Tadlock, President, Tadlock Roofing.

During the Build Your Bucket event, attendees can expect to pick-up a five-gallon bucket, visit exhibitors, collect preparedness supplies and learn about local resources for surviving and recovering from a disaster.

"At Leon County, we understand that being a resilient, #HurricaneStrong community is about building partnerships and providing opportunities for our community to work together," said Kevin Peters, Leon County Emergency Management Director. "Considering the price of tarps, we were unsure if this emergency item would be secured for this year's Build Your Bucket event, but Tadlock Roofing came through and we are proud of the commitment that local businesses are making to ensure our community is ready and prepared for any disaster. "

Saturday's expo-goers can expect to collect essential items such as:, blankets, first aid kits, tarps, flashlights, gloves, , soap, ponchos, rope/paracord, among other items.

For more information on the Build Your Bucket disaster preparedness expo, visit www.LeonCountyFL.gov or Talgov.com and to make a plan for hurricane season, visit ready.gov/hurricanes or haveahurricaneplan.com.

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Leon County Nation's First #HurricaneStrong Community

Because of events like Build Your Bucket and other disaster resilience efforts, Leon County was designated as the first #HurricaneStrong community in the nation by the Federal Alliance for Safe Homes (FLASH) in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and others. With this national designation, Leon County became the nationwide prototype for disaster resilience and will continue to collaborate with FLASH throughout the 2018 hurricane season to advance resilience by establishing criteria for other local governments that leverage existing tools, programs, and metrics. #HurricaneStrong recognizes our entire community and all the efforts of our neighborhoods, partners, and citizens to be a model of resilience for the entire nation.