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**Lee County consolidates shelter operations; space remains for residents in need**

Fort Myers, FL, Sept. 30, 2022 – Lee County is consolidating its shelter operations this afternoon as the shelter population shifts during recovery efforts. The remaining shelters still have space for people in need.

The shelters remaining open are:

- East Lee County High School, 715 Thomas Sherwin Ave., Lehigh Acres
- Estero Recreation Center, 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd., Estero
- Hertz Arena, 11000 Everblades Pkwy., Estero
- Island Coast High School, 2125 DeNavarra Pkwy, Cape Coral
- South Fort Myers High School, 14020 Plantation Road, Fort Myers
- Dunbar High School, 3800 Edison Ave., Fort Myers

The residents staying in the following shelters will be relocated to other shelters this afternoon:

- Harns Marsh Middle School, 1820 Unice Ave. N., Lehigh Acres
- Oak Hammock Middle School, 5321 Tice St., Fort Myers
- Veterans Park Recreation center, 55 Homestead Road, Lehigh Acres
- Varsity Lakes Middle School, 801 Gunnery Road, Lehigh Acres
- Tortuga Preserve Elementary, 1711 Gunnery Road, Lehigh Acres
- Treeline Elementary, 10900 Treeline Ave., Fort Myers
- Manatee Elementary, 5301 Tice St., Fort Myers
- Gateway High School, 13820 Griffin Drive, Fort Myers

Evacuees will have the option of moving to another shelter using their own vehicles or LeeTran. LeeTran vehicles will be taking evacuees to any of the open shelters of their choice.

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