

# INFORMATION SHARING HURRICANE



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## Team Members Need Help

PGFD firefighter Tony Laurenti and wife Kimberly lost everything due to Hurricane Helene. Tony is a Military Veteran and has been with PGFD for over 17 years. As his fire family, we are asking for support to assist with the rebuilding of his home.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-local-fireman-with-home-recovery?>

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The home of one of our officers, Cris Bowling, was severely damaged during the storm. I believe it was hit by one of the tornadoes that spawned off the bands coming through. A Go Fund Me account was established to assist with his recovery. Here is the link:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-punta-gorda-officers-home-recovery?>

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\*\*\*If anyone has any gently used bedding or blankets please let us know as an employee from Canal Maintenance's home was devastated during the storm. They could really use these immediately.\*\*\* Contact Public Works (941) 575-5050.



# Bright Spots

Despite how stressful this storm left us all, Public Works took much-needed time from working nonstop to cook out for our team. Crews have worked endlessly and needed to refuel. We recruited Hannah (Laurel's granddaughter) to hand out cookies through our food prep line.



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This bench in Gilchrist Park in Punta Gorda is dedicated to my professional mentor, friend, older brother, I never had growing up, David Hilston, AICP. He worked for Punta Gorda, FL for well over 20 years. Punta Gorda took another beating, but Mr. Hilston "Big David" is still standing watch to help her out.

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