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NEW RESOURCE CENTER FOR TORNADO VICTIMS OPENING FRIDAY

The City of Lancaster is working in conjunction with Red Cross and multiple other non-profit and volunteer organizations to organize a Donation & Assistance Center (D.A.C.). The D.A.C. will help provide a dual variety of services to our citizens. First, any citizen coming to the center will fill out an assessment form to determine their needs. Those needs could be clearing debris, permit issues or any other city services. Second, the center will provide a variety of resources such as clothes, hygiene kits, diapers, non-perishable foods, bottled water or other household goods. Numerous city staff and volunteers will be available to assess resident's needs and help them obtain any personal items they may require. The D.A.C. will become fully operational, starting Friday, April 6, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Starting Friday, the D.A.C. will be the main receiving and distribution facility for all tangible donations in the City of Lancaster. The D.A.C. will be an additional resource to the already established shelter facility.

LOCATION OF THE DONATION ASSISTANCE CENTER: 200 E. Wintergreen, (Indoor Practice Facility)

HOURS OF THE CENTER: Friday – 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday – 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Easter Sunday – 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday – 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

PARKING: Parking will be on the west side of the High School Athletic Complex (Indoor Practice Facility)

TO DONATE: If you would like to donate, please bring your items to the east side entrance of the indoor practice facility any time during operating hours.

ENTRANCE FOR PEOPLE SEEKING ASSISTANCE: People seeking assistance need to enter through the west side of the Indoor Practice Facility.

The City of Lancaster is asking for people to please bring some form of I.D. to show D.A.C. staff that will provide verification of your name and the address of the home that was damaged.

The City of Lancaster and Emergency Operations Center are working diligently to disseminate every resource available to the citizens of Lancaster. We are working around the clock to coordinate and manage this catastrophic event. In addition to coordinating resources, one of our top priorities is trying to secure the affected areas so we can allow our citizens to return to their homes. We are asking for the public's patience and support during this tragic time.

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