

# YOUR PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX SURVIVAL GUIDE



So you're stuck  
here with us ...



**EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT**



## What is the Public Safety Complex?

Developed by Leon County Government and the City of Tallahassee, the Public Safety Complex (PSC) is a state-of-the-art facility that promotes collaboration and coordination between many different public safety agencies. From a major hurricane to a car wreck, the PSC serves as the central hub of emergency response and coordination during any scale of disaster, whether it's personal or community-wide. The PSC houses many different County and City functions from the Leon County Emergency Operations Center to the Consolidated Dispatch Agency. Through this close coordination, our public safety agencies can work better and faster in situations where just a few seconds can help save lives.

## Is the building safe and secure?

The PSC is one of the safest facilities in Leon County. Built to withstand the strongest winds nature has to offer (200+ MPH), the PSC can withstand high-velocity debris and has a state-of-the-art generator for the entire facility. Have you seen the movie *Twister*? Yeah, we could stand up to a flying cow or two. Also, the complex has around-the-clock security with lighted parking spaces in a secure parking area.

## Can my family come with me?

During an activation, family members are not permitted to accompany employees to the PSC. Be sure your disaster preparedness plans account for the needs of your loved ones beforehand. To learn how to be prepared, visit [HaveAHurricanePlan.com](http://HaveAHurricanePlan.com).

## What should I bring with me?

Depending on the length and timing of your shift, you may want to bring toiletries and bedding. You may want to bring a blanket or coat because the PSC is kept cool during an activation for everyone's comfort. Also, meals and snacks will be provided throughout a disaster activation. If you have any particular dietary needs or just a favorite snack, you can bring that food to be stored and prepared in any of the kitchenette areas. Kitchenettes feature microwaves, refrigerators, vending machines, and coffee makers (nothing more important than coffee during disaster!). The PSC has shower facilities located in the Exercise Room on the first floor, and you must bring your towels and washcloths.

## Where do I check-in for duty?

Located at 911 Easterwood Drive, the Public Safety Complex has two entrances: one on Weems Road and one on Easterwood Drive. Please use the Weems Road entrance and pull forward to the gates. You will push the button to call security and they will buzz you into the secure parking area. Feel free to park at any available space, take anything you need from your car, and enter the building at the large glass double doors. Once inside, go upstairs to the Emergency Operations Center on the second floor, sign the check-in sheet, and then report to your staff lead for a security badge. The badge will let you access the secure parking area, the employee entrance, and the Emergency Operations Center.

## Where can I sleep?

The cut-and-dry answer to that is just about anywhere. Now, where can you sleep comfortably? The PSC has a bunk room on the first floor with 12 bunks. If more sleeping accommodations are required, staff will deploy cots into various conference rooms in the PSC such as 112, 115, 169, and 180.

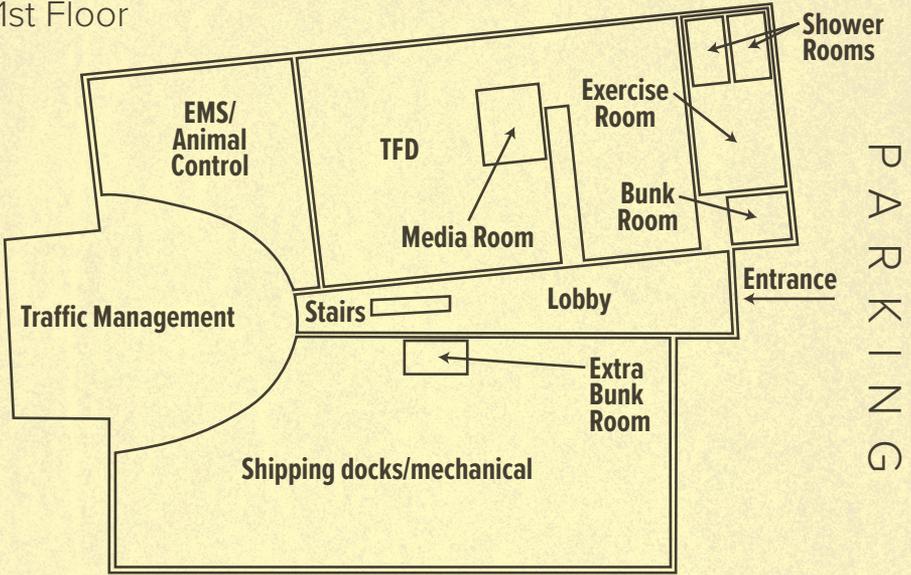
## Where can I smoke/vape?

We get it--disasters are stressful! The designated smoking area is just outside the employee entrance on the east side of the PSC. No smoking/vaping is permitted on the balcony or in the PSC at any time.

# Who do I call if I have questions?

If you have questions, please call Leon County PSC Operations staff at (850) 606-5020. Also, Facilities staff will be on-site during an activation to assist.

1st Floor



2nd Floor

