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AREA AGENCY ON AGING OFFICES SUFFER WATER DAMAGE, AGAIN

West Palm Beach – Staff of the Area Agency on Aging of Palm Beach/Treasure Coast arrived to work Monday morning to find the offices of the nonprofit organization flooded by a breakage in the water pipes over the weekend. Agency Directors met to immediately plan remediation efforts and the temporary relocation of staff to ensure uninterrupted service to their lead agencies, service providers and clients.

Agency Chief Executive Officer, Robert McFalls, states “This ordeal comes shortly after we have endured displacement of staff from last September to December following damage to the offices caused by Hurricanes Frances and Jeanne.” McFalls continued “Our primary issues at this time include working with the landlord to have the water damage in the office corrected, ensuring the remediation of the offices while continuing to fulfill the Agency funding and contract management functions for senior services throughout our five-county service area without interruption.”

Initial projections call for the offices to be remediated by the end of the week. Meanwhile, staff have been reassigned to the Agency’s two satellite offices and other alternative locations. The public can still reach the Area Agency on Aging by calling any of the Agency’s telephone number, (561) 684-5885, or by dialing the MAPS (Medicare Answers ~ Prescription Savings) number at (561) 688-1211.

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