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CHARLESTON AREA, SC PROJECT IMPACT SCOUT PATCH REQUIREMENTS

*A weather hazard educational awareness project
offered by Charleston Area, SC Project Impact.*

PROJECT IMPACT

Project Impact is an initiative of the Federal Emergency Management Agency designed to assist communities in becoming more “disaster resistant.” Charleston County, SC and all of the municipalities within the County have partnered together with many representatives from businesses and non-profit agencies to form the Charleston County, SC Area Project Impact initiative. The Charleston Area was selected as a Project Impact community in December of 1998.

The Charleston County, SC Area Project Impact initiative has as its goals to undertake projects through partnerships which will assist our residents in being better prepared for the hazards they face. These hazards include but are not limited to floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, tornadoes, wild fires, hazardous materials releases, and even acts of terrorism. The Project Impact initiative also seeks to preserve our natural and historic resources from loss as a result of hazard events.

Education regarding preparing for hazard events is very important to minimize losses of life and property associated with these types of events. It is essential to follow emergency instructions and prepare in advance for hazard events to achieve this result. The Charleston County, SC Area Project Impact initiative, offers a Project Impact patch program to help educate and prepare young people for the types of hazard events they may experience living in the Charleston area.

The patch is available at no charge from the Charleston Area, SC Project Impact initiative to all scouts who successfully meet the requirements for the patch.

PROJECT IMPACT PATCH REQUIREMENTS

1. Do research on a type of hazard faced in the Tri-County area and answer the following questions:
 - ✓ What type of event is the hazard?
 - ✓ How does one prepare for the hazard?
 - ✓ What, if anything, can be done to stop the hazard?
 - ✓ What generally occurs after the hazard?
 - ✓ Where have these types of hazard events occurred in the past?
2. Give a presentation on a hazard to a group of scouts or at school.
3. *Participate in a Project Impact project (e.g. Build-A-Dune, Drainage Awareness Campaign, Wind-AID, riparian buffer zone planting projects, etc.) (Call the Project Impact office to get involved.)
4. *Attend a Hazards Expo (e.g. Project Impact expo, Lowe’s safety day, Home Depot hurricane expo, etc.) and obtain information about hazard preparation and signatures from at least five (5) vendors. (Ask to be put on the notification list for these events through the Project Impact office.)
5. Identify hazard resistant landscaping plants at your home, school, troop/group meeting location or at a local plant nursery.
6. Develop a family disaster plan.
7. Do a community service project pertaining to hazards.
EXAMPLES:
 - ✓ Clean up debris from a hazard event
 - ✓ Make a hazard awareness poster
 - ✓ Volunteer to assist victims of hazard events
 - ✓ Distribute literature on hazard preparation to neighbors and friends

To earn the Project Impact patch, you must complete activity #7 as well as three other activities including at least one of the starred items.

