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EMS Week May 16-22 Acknowledges Emergency Personnel *Annual Food Drive Scheduled May 19*

May 16 – 22, 2010 is EMS Week, in honor of Emergency Medical Services. Food drives will be held in Crestview and Ft. Walton Beach at Publix Stores in celebration of its theme “Anytime, Anywhere, EMS is there.” Food Drives are from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m., on May 19, and all food collected is donated to United Way.

Okaloosa County EMS is committed to the development of training programs, guidelines and equipment for its emergency care providers. Emergency medical service teams consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators and others.

“I can describe EMS personnel in one word – dedicated,” stated Public Safety Director Dino Villani. “They also dedicate time this week to collect food - it is our hope that citizens will help fill the ambulance and thank EMS personnel when they donate food,” he added. For more information, contact Okaloosa County Public Safety, 850-651-7150.

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