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Okaloosa County Public Safety Using New Methods for Messages

Since the Deep Horizon Oil Spill, Okaloosa County Public Safety has been improving its technology. Currently, Public Safety is providing even more instant information with a feature that sends a text message to your phone. Here is how it works on Blackberry & Smart Phone:

1. Add Okaloosa Co. Public Safety to your address book (OCPS) and under mobile number or other number, put 99699.
2. Send an SMS or MMS to OCPS, and **also put OCPS in the text message area** (not on subject line).
3. Almost instantly you will receive an answer to your text. Select the web site and Beach Flag will appear or any message Public Safety is sending out at that time.

In the near future, we can send shelter information, maps, traffic, or vital safety info right to the phone when you requests assistance. For more information, please contact the Okaloosa County Public Safety Department at 850-651-7150 or the 311 Citizens Information Line.

Okaloosa County Public Safety began tweeting updates during Deep Horizon Oil Spill (OKALOOSAEOC). Since that time, our new Emergency Operations Center has opened and Public Safety is now on Facebook as well.

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