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Economic Recovery Briefing: Rebuilding Economic Development in Your Community

November 1, 2017 - 9 AM to 12 PM
Florida Gulf Coast University
Cohen Center, Room 247
10501 FGCU Blvd, Ft. Myers, FL 33965

9:00 AM	Welcome	Lucienne Pears, Southwest Regional Director Florida Economic Development Council
9:05 AM	State of the Region	Lucienne Pears, Director (Moderator) Charlotte County Economic Development
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joe Paterno, CEO, CareerSource Southwest Florida• Lois Knox, Regional Director, Florida SBDC Network• Kristi Bartlett, CEcD, VP of Economic Development, Naples Chamber• Rachel Busch, Strategic Projects Manager, Lee County Economic Development• Eric Berglund, President, SWFL Regional Alliance	
10:05 AM	Presentation: Post-Disaster Tools for Economic Recovery	Lynn A. Knight, CEcD, Vice President Knowledge Management & Development International Economic Development Council
10:25 AM	Federal Resources Panel	Margaret Wuerstle, Executive Director Southwest FL Regional Planning Council
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Greg Vaday, Economic Development Representative, U.S. Economic Development Administration – Atlanta• Carl Sherrill, Office of Disaster Assistance PIO, U.S. Small Business Administration• Bruce Brodoff, FEMA External Affairs Specialist• Yashira Mendez, U.S. Department of Agriculture	
11:25 AM	Open Forum: State of Local Communities	Lucienne Pears (Facilitator) Florida Economic Development Council
11:50 AM	Next Steps & Closing	Lucienne Pears, Southwest Regional Director Florida Economic Development Council



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