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“SMART Moves”

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“A Season for Gratitude”

Hurricane Wilma

The recent hurricane that impacted Southeast Florida rendered the basic ingredients of a functional transportation system – power, communications and traffic signals – unavailable. Through the relentless devotion and efforts of over 135 persons from twenty-one different agencies, firms, and departments to make operational the services that are available through the SMART SunGuide TMC, local, regional and state leaders were able to rely on the TMC to serve as the “war room” for re-building the signals, posting emergency and curfew messages on the DMSs and maintaining communications with our emergency response partners. In essence, we continued to serve our customers, both internal and external, with the level of professionalism and excellence to which District Four strives.



Now, two months post Hurricane Wilma, a resemblance of normalcy can be seen. The adrenaline is now gone, yet we are still working hard to provide services to our customers. In dedication to the efforts of the District Four ITS Family during Hurricane Wilma, we would like to take this opportunity to share a few kind words:



“You are the ones that truly led by example over the last two weeks. Working at the TMCs and on the Freeways prior, during and after the hurricane is an inspiration to those around you and to the customers that we provide services to. Being a leader is not something that you get with your job title or say to others but by your actions and conviction to the customers we serve.



I would like to say to the group of Hurricane Heroes a word that I would like to become a symbol of these past and future actions that take us to the next level, “SUNGUIDE” because you are what symbolizes the esprit de corps that all of the District Four ITS Family is striving for.”

— Steven Corbin, District ITS Operations Manager



Recognition

District Four continues to take a proactive, regional approach to integrating the services of the SMART SunGuide TMC and, as such, is thankful and honored to have been recognized for the following two awards:



On August 10th, 2005, FDOT District Four & Broward County was awarded the ITS Florida “**Outstanding Achievement Award - In Recognition of Your Continuing Leadership and Innovativeness Toward the Advancement of ITS in the State of Florida, and for Your Successful Design and Deployment of the SMART SunGuide TMC to Serve the Greater Broward County Region**”.

On December 6th, 2005, FDOT District Four was awarded the ITS Florida “**2005 Organizational Member of the Year**” award for “**Development and Implementation of an Outstanding ITS Public Outreach Program**”.