



Quonset Points

Tuesday, September 21, 2005

Quonset Business Park Residents helping Victims of Hurricane Katrina *Food, Water and Hygiene Items Needed*

In an effort spearheaded by Quonset resident Dominion Diagnostics, LLC, hygiene items such as towels, shampoo, and baby wipes and toothpaste, non-perishable food items and pet food are being collected for families dislocated by Hurricane Katrina. The items will be forwarded through the Salvation Army to victims of Hurricane Katrina who have been relocated to Rhode Island.

The Quonset Development Corporation is aiding the effort and is encouraging park tenants to help. Geoff Grout, CEO of Quonset Development Corporation applauded the initiative by Dominion Diagnostics, "I am pleased, though not at all surprised that the folks at Dominion saw a need and immediately stepped forward to help and I know the other tenants of the Quonset Business Park will respond in kind."

The donated items are being collected at Dominion Diagnostic's headquarters at 211 Circuit Drive in North Kingstown. Dominion will be using its 20,000 square foot warehouse as a sorting site.

Robert Mantia, Executive Vice President of Dominion Diagnostics said, "We will continue this effort for as long as it may take to help those in dire need of assistance to get their lives back on track."

Dominion is also matching monetary contributions from its employees and so far has raised \$8,000.

QDC Public Access Plan Gets Final Approval

The QDC Public Access plan has received final approval from the state Coastal Resource Management Council. The plan specifies 14 sites for public access including beaches, a bike path, museums and cultural sites within the 3,000

Quonset Mission

The Quonset Development Corporation (QDC) is a real estate development and management company organized as a subsidiary of the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation.

QDC develops and manages the Quonset Business Park in accordance with the Master Plan and in the best interests of the citizens of Rhode Island to attract and retain successful businesses that provide high quality jobs.

Links

[About the QDC](#)
[Development Opportunities](#)
[Transportation](#)
[Development RFPs](#)

acre business park.

"Approval of this plan signifies QDC's ongoing commitment to conscientious stewardship of this precious resource for the public," said Steve King, QDC's Chief Operating Officer. "We now can begin mapping out the future plans for these public access sites to encourage preservation, accessibility, and partnerships with the community."

This plan, by identifying public access in appropriate locations prior to development, means those locations will be set aside early in the planning process; representing a comprehensive approach which the Department of Environmental Management says can serve as a template for use by other projects throughout the state.

CRMC Chairman Michael M. Tikoian said, "I think this will facilitate economic development and prosperous growth in the area and it's another positive piece of work done by the CRMC with the EDC and QDC."

To view the public access plan visit our web site at www.qdcric.com.

Promises made- promises kept *The QDC Report Card*

The Quonset Development Corporation was formed with a clear vision highlighting seven interconnected goals:

- Improve "curb appeal";
- More fully utilize what is at Quonset Point;
- Develop strong concepts as a foundation for smart growth and good design;
- Create buffers between residential and industrial use;
- Explore complementary land uses as avenues to good jobs;
- Focus on market based economics and public/private partnerships, and;
- Rely on no single land use, solution or user.

Moving forward we will be measuring progress on each of these goals. Already there are quantitative results. For example, with the deconstruction of over 200 buildings, the renovation and upgrading of others- we certainly have improved the curb appeal of the Quonset Business Park. Also development regulations that govern landscaping and even the color of paint will make sure any new construction at the park is aesthetically pleasant.

Business Park Development **Regulations Approved**

On September 19, 2005 the Quonset Development Corporation Board unanimously approved comprehensive development regulations for the Business Park. Read CEO Geoff Grout's director's letter that appeared in the North Kingstown Standard Times explaining the regulations at our Web site

www.qdcri.com.

