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City Agencies Team to Help Citizens with Disabilities

The Newport News Office of Emergency Management participated in the 17th Annual Disability Awareness Day at Patrick Henry Mall. Dana Perry, pictured middle, educated shoppers – especially those with medical and special needs – on how to better prepare for any type of disaster. Perry handed out literature on how to assemble a disaster supply kit, how to complete an emergency communications plan, and how to register with the City of Newport News so that first responders are made aware of any type of medical needs that might exist at home. Deputy C.A. Johnson, pictured right, was invited to share information about community programs offered by the Newport News Sheriff's Office. Since no individual knows where they will be when a disaster occurs, having vital medical and special needs information with you when you travel in your car, on vacation, or when you are forced to evacuate to an emergency shelter is very important.

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