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MOBILE LICENSING OFFICE TO SERVE AREA VETERANS AT STAND DOWN

~ Mobile licensing office to visit Veterans Stand Down ~

GAINESVILLE - The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is pleased to announce its participation in an event to bring convenient driver license and motor vehicle services directly to veterans, saving them a possible trip to our offices. On Dec. 12, 2008, the Florida Licensing On Wheels mobile unit will participate in a Veterans Stand Down at the Army Reserve Center located at 1125 NE 8th Ave. in Gainesville. The hours of operation will be from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Some services, such as driver license fees, are waived for veterans who bring an identification card from the U.S Department of Veterans Affairs identifying them as a veteran with 100 percent service-connected, permanent and total disability.

FLOW mobile units are equipped with the technology and ability to bring valuable DHSMV services directly to customers. They provide a convenient method to renew a driver license, obtain a duplicate driver license, change a name or address on a driver license, get an identification card, register a vehicle and purchase a specialty license plate. Staff will not administer driving skills tests or hazmat fingerprinting for Commercial Driver Licenses at the FLOW mobile.

The FLOW mobile also offers the Department's newest safety initiatives through Emergency Contact Information registration, identification cards for children (ages five and older) and safety campaigns by the Florida Highway Patrol.

Customers wishing to obtain a driver license or identification card must bring an original or certified copy of their birth certificate and proof of their Social Security number. A complete list of acceptable identification documents is provided at www.flhsmv.gov/ddl/faqkeys.html. In addition to cash and personal checks, the Department accepts the following credit cards: MasterCard, American Express and Discover.

Stand Downs are community-wide events to help homeless veterans gain access to resources needed to rebuild their lives. Other state agencies planning to participate in the Dec. 12 Stand Down include the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Agency for Workforce Innovation. The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is pleased to partner with other state agencies and participating organizations to bring services directly to customers, saving them a possible trip to our offices.

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is charged with the mission of *providing highway safety and security through excellence in service, education and enforcement*. The Department is leading the way to a *Safer Florida* by way of three major components: driver licenses, vehicle tags and titles and the Florida Highway Patrol. To learn more about DHSMV and the services offered, visit www.flhsmv.gov.

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