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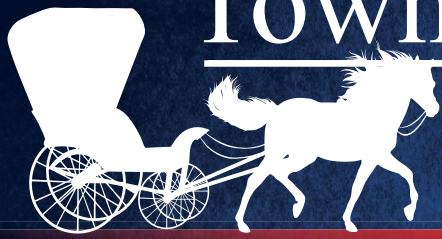
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FEATURES

- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- 2,030 total SqFt
- .27 acre lot
- Storage outbuildings
- No HOA
- Private utilities
- Enclosed Patio
- Large Pantry
- New paint!

LISTED AT
\$235,000

ETA FALL 2025



1727 SE HARGRAVE ST.,
ARCADIA, FL 34266, MLS# A4656075



FEATURES

- 3 Bedrooms
 - 2 Bathrooms
 - 1,483 sqft
 - Under Construction (ready fall 2025)
 - Stainless steel appliances
 - Metal Roof
 - large Island
 - Near Parks & Conveniences
 - Upgrades & color options available
- REDUCED TO
\$284,900**

ACREAGE! ON 2 ACRES!



2847 SW BEARD ST
ARCADIA, FL 34266
MLS#A4659897

FEATURES

2 acre parcel in south Desoto County is zoned for agricultural use. Located off of a paved road with a gated entrance and out of a flood zone!

LISTED AT
\$98,300

OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE



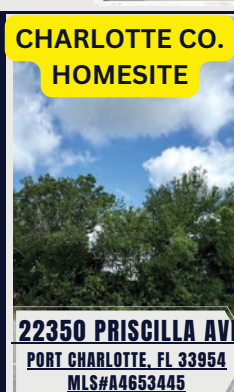
3586 SW ARMADILLO
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ARCADIA, FL 34266
MLS#A4643492

FEATURES

5-acre blank slate with electric, well and septic and large powered storage building with 200-amp service and RV hook up. The gated property offers different levels of terrain perfect for some fun on the ATVs and is also surrounded by lush greenery with a diverse variety of trees and plants. Zoned RM allowing for single family or manufactured homes.

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FEATURES

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415 BRONCO DR.,
ZOLFO SPRINGS, FL 33890,
MLS#A4662429



FEATURES

- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- 15 Acres
- 2023 roof
- soft close cabinets
- Fenced
- Washer dryer
- Private road
- Open floor plan
- Rental option of \$2200 per month

LISTED AT
\$370,000

ACREAGE! ON 5.9 ACRES!



4951 SE AIRPORT RD.,
ARCADIA, FL 34266, MLS#A4658848



FEATURES

- 4 Bedroom
 - 2 Bathrooms
 - 2023 home, well & septic
 - 2280 sqft under air
 - 5.9 acres
 - Chef kitchen
 - Bonus family room/ den
 - Large bedrooms & closets
 - Huge Pole Barn
 - RV Hook up
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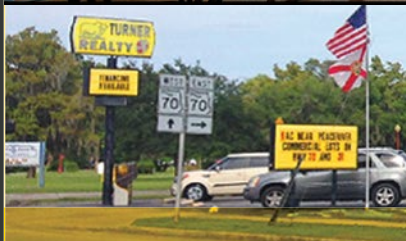
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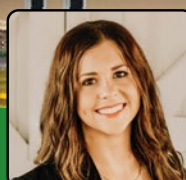
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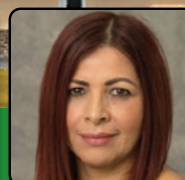
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DeSoto County's Weekly Publication

SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

The Arcadia Community Local Distribution Locations

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Arcadia Discount Liquor	Family Care Medical Center
Arcadia Do-It-Best Hardware	Ft. Ogden Post Office
Arcadia Municipal Airport	Habitat for Humanity
Arcadia Municipal Golf Course	K & J Homegrown Produce
Arcadia Post Office	Marathon
Arcadia Village	MyShelly's Kitchen
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Champs	Publix
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Circle K (North)	RMZRealty
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- Copy and graphics for ads requiring design: Wednesdays, 5pm
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ANTUNEZ, ELMIN NORBEY:

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv

BOSCH, WILLIAM JOSEPH:

Fraud-Swindle - Defraud To Obtain Property Value Of \$50K+, Arc - Grand Theft \$20,000 Or More Less Than \$100,000

CALLAHAN, MICHAEL ROBERT:

Moving Traffic Viol - Driv While Lic Suspend Revocation Equiv Status

CALLES, NICOLAS MUNOZ:

Damage Prop-Crim Misch - 1000 Dols Or More, Battery - Touch Or Strike

COLON TIRADO, PEDRO LUIS:

Property Crimes - Possess Vehicle With Altered Numbers, Nonmoving Traffic Viol - Fail To Register Motor Veh

COLUNGA, ROBERTO:

Moving Traffic Viol - Drive On Permanently Revoked Driver License

DAWES, BOSHA JONVOTA:

Larc - Petit Theft Merch Farm Transit 2+ Prior Conv, Marijuana-Possess - Possess Less Than 20 Grams Cannabis, Moving Traffic Viol - Drive While Lic Susp Habitual Offender

DICKENS, ANNA MICHELLE:

Battery - Touch Or Strike

DICKEY JR., WILLIE J:

Moving Traffic Viol - Dwlsr Rev Equiv Status Commerical Veh 1St Off

EVANS, JANICE MAE:

Larc - Other Theft, Drugs-Possess - Poss Intent Sell/Mfg/Deliv Ctrl Sub Schedule I, Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use

FLOYD, DANNY LONG:

Failure To Appear - Felony Warrant (X2)

FURMAN, LELAND JAMES:

Nonmoving Traffic Viol - Fail To Register Motor Veh, Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motorcycle W/O License

GARNAVOS, NIKOLAOS:

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv

GUZMAN, LAURA RAMIREZ:

Trespassing - Trespass Fail To Leave Prop On Order Of Owner, Rug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use, Rugs-Possess - Possess Controlled Substance W/O Prescription, Smuggle Contraband - Ctrl Sub S.893.02(4) County Detention Facility

GUZMAN, ROBERT SALAS:

Trespassing - Trespass Not Struct/Convey Viol Posted Notice

HARDY, TYRIKE DAYVON:

Moving Traffic Viol - Dwlsr Revocation Equiv Status 3Rd Sub Viol

HOLLINGSWORTH, JENNIFER LYNN:

Dui-Unlaw Bld Alch - 0.15 Or Higher Or W Person Under 18 In Vehicle, Cruelty Toward Child - Abuse Child Without Great Bodily Harm, Drugs-Possess - Possess Controlled Substance W/O Prescription, Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use

HOVIS, TRESA LYNNETTE:

Respassing - Trespass Fail To Leave Prop On Order Of Owner

KNUCKLES, DOUGLAS ARTHUR:

Failure To Appear - Written Promise To Appear

LACOMBE, SABRINA:

Prob Violation - Prob Violation

LOPEZ-MATIAS, RAIMUNDO:

Flee/Elude Police - Flee Elude High Speed Or Disr Safety Pers Prop, Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv

LOPEZ-VELAZQUEZ, ALEX:

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv

MAHONEY, CHARLES ALBERT:

Prob Violation - Prob Violation

MALDONADO-JIMENEZ, MARIO:

Larc - Other Theft

MOORE, BRADLEY GARRETT:

Battery - Touch Or Strike, Drugs-Possess - Possess Controlled Substance W/O Prescription

MORR JR., DAVID LEE:

Kidnap-False Imprisonment - False Imprisonment Of Person, Battery - Touch Or Strike

PEREZ-PALACIOS, JOSE MANUEL:

Prob Violation - Prob Violation

RADELL, DEREK THOMAS:

Drugs-Possess - Possess Controlled Substance W/O Prescription, Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use, Sex Offender Violation - Fail Report Driver Lic Office Change Name (X2)

REES, TRACY:

Arc - Petit Theft Merch Farm Transit 2+ Prior Conv, Making False Report - Knowingly Give False Info To Leo Allgd Crime

SANTIZ-LOPEZ, CARLOS:

Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv

SIMMONS, TERI RENEE:

Smuggle Contraband - Ctrl Sub S.893.02(4) County Detention Facility, Marijuana-Possess - Possess Less Than 20 Grams Cannabis, Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv, Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use

SMITH, MALIK DION:

Battery - Battery On Specified Personnel (X2), Failure To Appear - Felony Warrant (X2)

TAYLOR, COLBY DIANE:

Prob Violation - Prob Violation

THOMAS, WILLIAM DOUGLAS:

Moving Traffic Viol - Drive On Permanently Revoked Driver License, Dui-Unlaw Bld Alch - Dui Alcohol Or Drug 3Rd Viol/Conv Outside 10Yr, Dui-Unlaw Bld Alch - Refusal Submit Dui Testing

TORRES, GABRIEL:

Battery - Touch Or Strike

URIA, PETER MONICO:

Fail To Reg As Career Off - Fail To Reg Aft Establish Perm/Temp Residence, Lewd Lascv Behavior - Commit Sex Act Presence Correct Facil Employee

VELAZQUES, RODULFO:

Moving Traffic Viol - Dwlsr Revocation Equiv Status 3Rd Sub Viol

WILMER, MICHELLE ANNETTE:

Larc - Petit Theft Merch Farm Transit 2+ Prior Conv, Resist Officer - Obstruct Wo Violence

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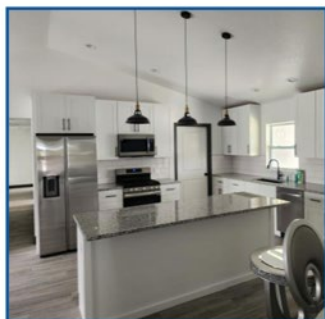
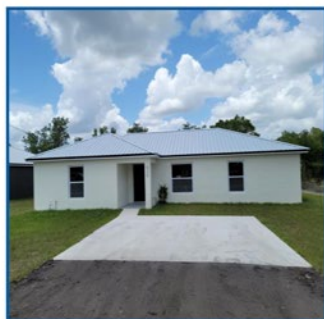
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It was mere hours after the winds of powerful, category-four Hurricane Ian blew over the hotel where Charles Leitner and several other FPL employees were sheltered that he stepped outside to see what remained of Punta Gorda.

"I had never seen ground zero of a hurricane before," he said.

Leitner, an engineer for FPL's Information Technology Emergency Response Team, was in southwest Florida to staff a Storm Pod—a shipping container modified to be a mobile office and communication trailer—following landfall.

"We deployed Storm Pods above and below Tampa thinking even if

the storm goes a little farther north or south, we are out of harm's way and in the area," he said. "Instead of being on the outskirts of the storm, we were actually dead in the center of [Hurricane] Ian."

Leitner and other members of FPL's Emergency Response Team pre-position Storm Pods and other equipment across the state ahead of every storm. This proactive approach helps to speed restoration following storms by giving field crews a place to check in, a place to work and a place they can communicate back to the FPL Command Center — the hub of all restoration efforts.

"They want to be out in the middle of it because they have to communicate with all of these workers who are coming in from other states, so you want to have a home base, but you also need to make sure all of the communications are secure," Leitner explained.

As technology has evolved, the company's response to severe weather has too. FPL has always leaned into technology to better serve customers—the company has leveraged technology to improve grid resiliency and storm response.

Three years ago, FPL started experimenting with satellite high-speed communication inside Storm Pods

to make that communication faster and easier. "We have been growing and changing each year," Leitner said of FPL's Information Technology Emergency Response Team.

Still though, Leitner and his team had to wait hours for a generator to arrive in Punta Gorda to power the Storm Pod before it could come online, which was the standard following every storm.

But Leitner knew FPL could set a new standard.

"In the early 2000s, it would take over a week to set up these sites," he said. "Then, we got them up in a day or two, but I was thinking, can't we go even faster than that?"

It was when he first stepped out of his hotel and felt the sunshine following Hurricane Ian that the thought came to him.

"Solar would be great to power



these," Leitner told his co-workers.

Leitner said his boss, Steve Greenstein, initially came up with an idea to use DC power inside Storm Pods rather than traditional AC power, so he took that idea one step further by adding solar panels to the top of one Storm Pod ahead of the active 2024 hurricane season. That step allowed the IT equipment to be up 24/7, with zero setup.

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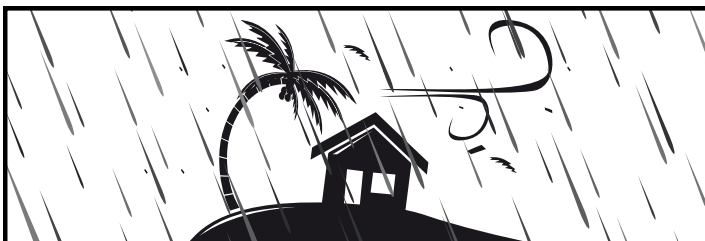


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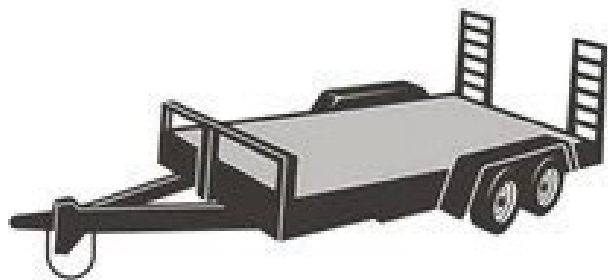
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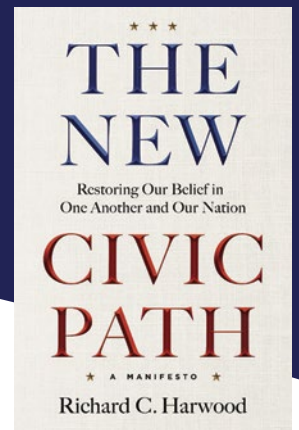
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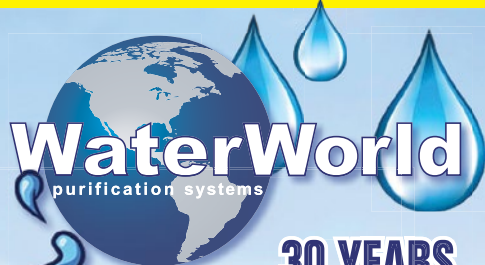
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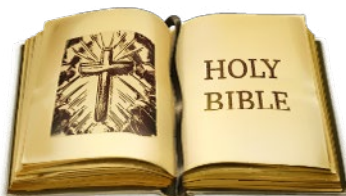
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Chapter 20

I remember standing at the top of the dock. One of my friends was with me looking down at the water. There was a fish there. He was just swimming around, kind of in the way of the dive. It seemed like we were waiting for the fish to move before we took the plunge, then I got the bright idea to just jump on him. I said, right before I dove off the dock, "I'll get him". And off I went. The next thing I remember is my eyes popped open and my right hand was pulled up next to my chest. I had the worst pain in the world. I felt like my shoulder was broken in two. Every time my heart would beat, the pain would go out my right shoulder. I couldn't move my right arm. It was not doing anything. I remember I was still under water so I had to swim out but only my left arm would work. With the use of my left arm only, I began to swim to shore. When I got there, I sat on the bank trying to figure out what had happened. My right arm would not move and had no feeling. My shoulder was on fire. The pain now was unbearable but I knew I had to do something so I got up and sat on the side of the dock. The pain now was even worse. I told my friends that I would have to go to the emergency room, that I must have broken my right shoulder. I tried to get up, but I was having a lot of trouble.

One of my friends got my right arm, then another friend got my left arm and off we went to the car. As we started up the hill to the car, I felt like I was going into the clouds, that a peace was coming over me with no pain, almost to the point of passing out. Just then another friend put his hands around my neck, under my ears and held my head up. When he did that the passing out part went away and the pain came back. We made it to the car and they laid me down. No one knew where the hospital was, so they drove around and found someone to give them directions. Soon we reached the hospital. They again took all the positions, one on each arm and one holding my neck. My parents were away on vacation and remember, we didn't have cell phones back then. The hospital tried and tried to call them, but they couldn't reach anybody. I was only 17 years old and they couldn't do anything without a parent's permission. OMG. The pain...



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