

# Disaster Radio Service

Fire, Flood, Hurricane, Accident, Tornado

## COMMUNICATIONS OUT!

Landlines, Cell Phones and the Internet will not work!



**With the FRS Handheld Two-Way Radio you can still get help!**



1900 Clubhouse Drive  
Sun City Center, FL 33573

[www.kparc.org](http://www.kparc.org)

### DISASTER RADIO SERVICE (DRS)

- Low cost emergency communications serving the Kings Point and Sun City Center communities
- Handheld two-way radio (\$15 each)
- No license needed, easy to use
- Radio practice is held every Wednesday morning @ 9 am by the Kings Point Amateur Radio Club

### To acquire the FRS Handheld Radio

- Contact the Kings Point Amateur Radio Club located in the North Clubhouse on the east end of the building
- Visit [DRS.KPARC.org](http://DRS.KPARC.org) for more information on the program



# Sun City Center Disaster Radio Service

The DRS Program is a low cost, radio service that provides emergency communications when phone, Internet and cell systems are out of service. The program is supported by volunteers of the Kings Point Amateur Radio Club.

## DRS NETWORK

The DRS Network consists of three parts: Alpha – a central station operated by the non-profit Kings Point Amateur Radio Club, Listening stations – a local network of Amateur radio volunteers operating from their homes, and DRS registered users with compatible radios.

## ALPHA Station - Black

Alpha station located at the North Clubhouse in the KPARC Clubroom using a GMRS radio with a very high antenna to cover the Sun City Center communities.

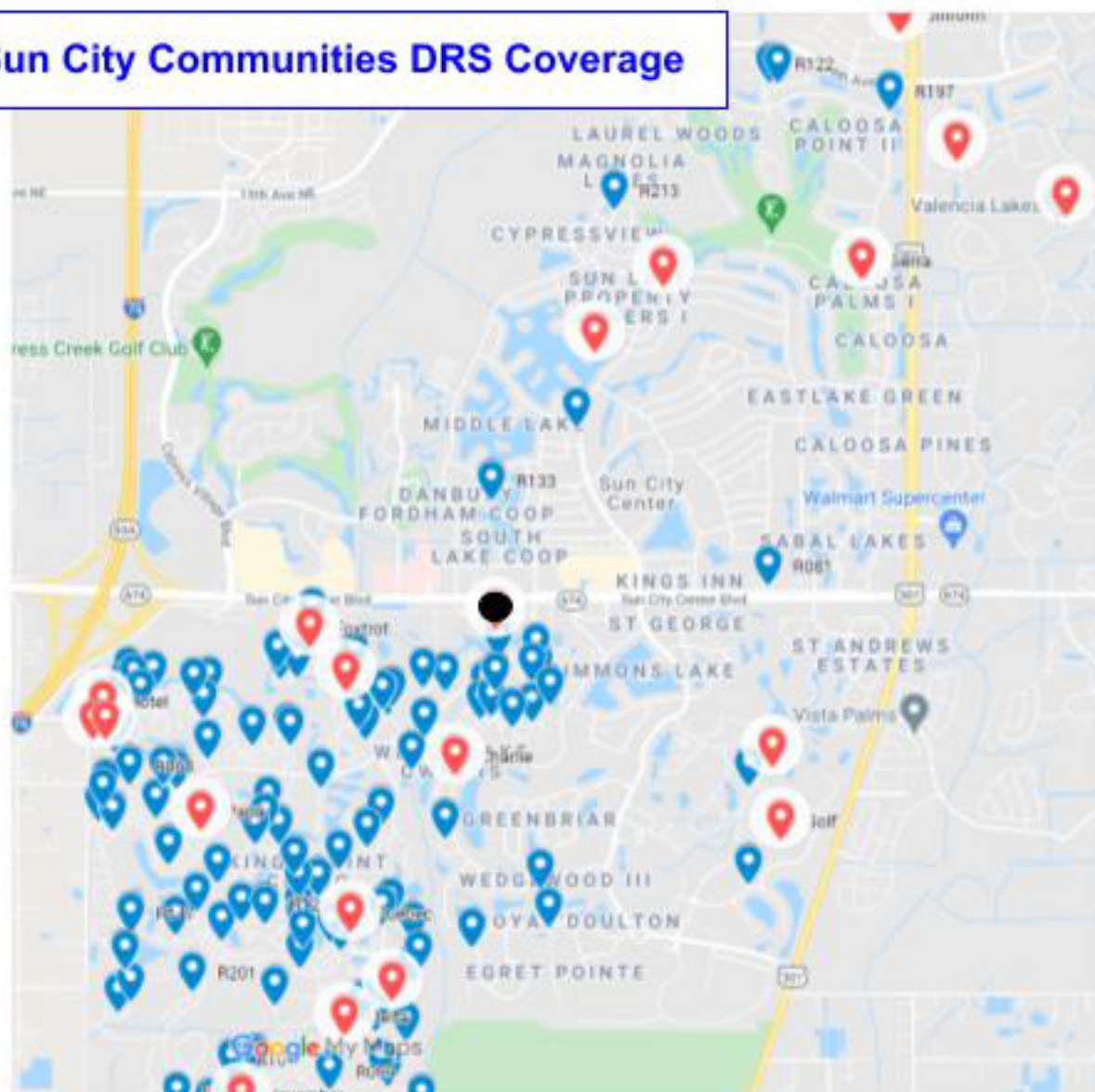
## LISTENING STATIONS - Red

Volunteer Ham Radio Amateurs holding GMRS licenses throughout the Greater Sun City Center. DRS users who cannot communicate with the Alpha station are expected to be able to reach a local listening station and to relay messages to the Alpha station for emergency services, such as 911, via ham radio.

## DRS USERS - Blue

The DRS program recommends an inexpensive radio (Retevis RT22) which is compatible with the Family Radio Service (FRS).

## Sun City Communities DRS Coverage



## To acquire the DRS Handheld Radio

- Contact the Kings Point Amateur Radio Club by sending email to [ecom@kparc.org](mailto:ecom@kparc.org) to express your interest.
- Visit [DRS.KPARC.org](http://DRS.KPARC.org) for more information on the program

THE AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE									
RADIOGRAM									
VIA AMATEUR RADIO									
NUMBER	PRIORITY	NO	STATION OF ORIGIN	CHECK	PLACE OF ORIGIN	TIME FILED	DATE		
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TO						THIS RADIO MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED AT			
JOHN Q PUBLIC						AMATEUR STATION			
1234 MAPLE AVE						NAME			
ANYTOWN NC 27000						STREET ADDRESS			
						CITY AND STATE			
TELEPHONE NUMBER: 919 555 1234									
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## Health and Wellness Check

During times of emergency and/or a disaster, the ARRL Radiogram (displayed above) is available for you to request a health and welfare check on friends and families in other parts of the country. This service is available to the Sun City communities. Contact either the KPARC or SCC Amateur Club to complete your ARRL Radiogram message. This service relies on amateur radio operators to communicate message(s) via ham radio. Please note, we are volunteers and operate the service as "Best Effort". You can preview the form on the [kparc.org](http://kparc.org) website under Public Service. Friends anywhere can also use this service to check on you here in Sun City Center.



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## Disaster Radio Service - Sun City Center, FL (pop 26K)

The user radios are shown in **blue**, Amateur Radio operators control Stations are shown in **red**. Because the *interactive* map contains sensitive personal data, this image is for visualization of the program.

