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### **Mosquito Surveillance Shows Progress in FKMCD Dengue Battle**

As the Florida Keys Mosquito Control District (FKMCD) continues to carry out its multi-faceted Dengue response plan, the District has begun to show measurable progress in the campaign focused on the vicinity of Key Largo.

In addition to frequent neighborhood canvassing by inspectors, aerial mosquito treatments and ground mosquito treatments, FKMCD has stepped up mosquito surveillance; utilizing numerous 'traps' at multiple locations to ensure that every control effort is customized for maximum effectiveness.

The content of each 'trap' is analyzed and counted and most recently the number of *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes, those responsible for the spread of Dengue, has been trending downward in the areas of focus. This demonstrates that countermeasures being utilized are having the desired effect.

**Community partnership** is key in the control of this particular mosquito. FKMCD encourages all residents to remain extremely vigilant when it comes to keeping their own property devoid of the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito. Remember to dump any standing water, cover or discard any container capable of holding water and most importantly remember to protect your person by using a reputable mosquito repellent or even better: Cover your skin with clothing if you are going to be outside for an extended period.

To place a service request with FKMCD, visit [www.keysmosquito.org](http://www.keysmosquito.org) or call 305-292-7190.

## **About the Florida Keys Mosquito Control District**

The mission of the Florida Keys Mosquito Control District is to control the mosquito population using the most effective methods, techniques, equipment and insecticides; thus enhancing the quality of life for all residents and reducing the possibility of mosquito transmitted diseases.

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