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HURRICANE KATRINA RED CROSS RELIEF VOLUNTEER TURNED AUTHOR TO SPEAK AT THE SLIDELL LIBRARY

SLIDELL, LA – St. Tammany Parish Library (STPL) will host a Meet the Author event for author, operational leader, and business owner Rosy Crumpton on Aug. 3 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Slidell Library (555 Robert Blvd).

Crumpton will discuss her book, “Resilience, Vision, and Community: Hurricane Katrina 20 Years Later.” The book is a reflective look at her experience in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina as a Red Cross relief volunteer, and her return to the Gulf Coast 20 years later. Featuring photography, journal entries, and personal narratives, the book explores how people, places, and communities are shaped by both disaster and the ongoing process of recovery.

Crumpton holds a bachelor’s degree in psychology from Wingate University and brings more than 20 years of professional experience rooted in behavioral healthcare and behavior change. Continuing her dedication to disaster relief, in 2024, she joined the national emergency responders’ mental health team, deploying as a wellness professional to support communities impacted by Hurricanes Milton and Helene.

The event is free and open to the public; however, seating is intended for adult audiences. Patrons are encouraged to register at bit.ly/4gFQWOO or to visit the events page on the library’s website at sttammanylibrary.org/events.

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