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Hello,  
Here is information about two new Disaster Recovery Centers, one in Georgetown and another in Berkeley County.  
This can be released this afternoon.  
We're also getting information about some additional openings but need to get the locations confirmed. As soon as we get the correct information about each, we will send you a draft ASAP.

## **Disaster Recovery Centers Open In Berkeley and Georgetown Counties**

**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – Two new disaster recovery centers will be able to assist residents in Berkeley and Georgetown Counties to help residents with damages and losses from Hurricane Matthew. The Georgetown County center opens today, and the Berkeley County disaster recovery center will open tomorrow, November 2. Both disaster recovery centers will be open Monday through Saturday until further notice.

Representatives from the State of South Carolina, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the U.S. Small Business Administration and other public and private agencies are at these centers to explain disaster assistance programs and help survivors with applications for aid.

The two new disaster recovery centers are located at the following address:

### **Berkeley County**

#### **Alvin Community Center**

**2191 Santee River Road**

9 AM to 7 PM, Monday- Friday

10 AM to 6 PM, Saturday

Closed Sunday

### **Georgetown County**

#### **Beck Recreation Center**

**2030 West Church Street**

9 AM to 7 PM, Monday- Friday

10 AM to 6 PM, Saturday

Closed Sunday

It is not necessary to visit a center to register for and receive state-federal disaster assistance. If possible, survivors should register with FEMA before visiting a recovery center.

To register go online any time to [DisasterAssistance.gov](http://DisasterAssistance.gov) or call the FEMA helpline at **800-621-3362**. Help is available in most languages, and phone lines are open 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM seven days a week until further

notice.

Disaster survivors who are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a TTY may call **800-462-7585** to register. Those who use 711 or VRS (Video Relay Service) or require accommodations while visiting a center may call **800-621-3362**. All disaster recovery centers are accessible and equipped with tools to accommodate disaster survivors who need disability-related communication aids.

Federal and state disaster assistance for eligible individuals and families can include money for temporary rental assistance and essential home repairs for primary residences and help with other serious disaster-related losses not covered by insurance.

Low-interest disaster recovery loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration are the primary means of federal help for disaster survivors, including homeowners, renters and businesses of all sizes. Individuals and businesses should first register with FEMA. For information on SBA disaster recovery loans call **800-659-2955/800-877-8339** TTY or go online to [SBA.gov/disaster](https://sba.gov/disaster). An application for an SBA disaster recovery loan may be completed online at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>. Additional disaster recovery centers will open soon in South Carolina counties affected by Hurricane Matthew.

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