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FEMA Extends South Carolina's Disaster Assistance Application Deadline

COLUMBIA, S.C. – The deadline for survivors of South Carolina's historic floods to register for Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster assistance has been extended an additional 30 days to **Jan. 3, 2016**.

The extension agreed upon by the state and FEMA is for survivors living in 24 counties designated for FEMA's Individuals and Households Assistance program: Bamberg, Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dorchester, Fairfield, Florence, Georgetown, Greenville, Greenwood, Horry, Kershaw, Lee, Lexington, Marion, Newberry, Orangeburg, Richland, Spartanburg, Sumter and Williamsburg.

Federal disaster assistance for individuals and families may include money for temporary housing; rental assistance; emergency home repairs; personal property losses; medical, dental and funeral expenses; and other serious disaster-related expenses not covered by insurance.

There are several ways to register. Individuals may register online at DisasterAssistance.gov or by phone **800-621-3362** or **TTY 800-462-7585** toll free from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Survivors who use 711 or Video Relay Service or require accommodations while visiting a disaster recovery center may call **800-621-3362**.

Survivors may also register at a disaster recovery center. They can locate their closest center by visiting asd.fema.gov/inter/locator/home.htm.

For more information on South Carolina's disaster recovery, visit www.fema.gov/disaster/4241.

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FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

All FEMA disaster assistance will be provided without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, sex (including sexual harassment), religion, national origin, age, disability, limited English

proficiency, economic status, or retaliation. If you believe your civil rights are being violated, call 800-621-3362 or 800-462-7585(TTY/TDD).

FEMA's temporary housing assistance and grants for public transportation expenses, medical and dental expenses, and funeral and burial expenses do not require individuals to apply for an SBA loan. However, applicants who receive SBA loan applications must submit them to SBA loan officers to be eligible for assistance that covers personal property, vehicle repair or replacement, and moving and storage expenses.