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For Internal Use

Daily Talking Points

Key Message: For continuing housing assistance, applicants must submit documents.

- Survivors who received temporary housing assistance from FEMA after the Oct. 1-23 flooding and who continue to need assistance must demonstrate a disaster-related and financial need.
- The deadline for South Carolina survivors to register with FEMA is **Jan. 3, 2016**.
- Our helpline can answer many questions survivors might have. Call 800-621-3362, TTY 800-462-7585, 711/VRS 800-621-3362.

Talking Points

- Applicants for continued temporary housing assistance must submit several documents — including the completed form that accompanies the assistance letter, a copy of their lease, receipts showing proper use of rental assistance, current income status and any household financial obligations.
- The first continued temporary housing assistance letter is mailed to eligible applicants approximately two weeks after the initial award.
- FEMA encourages applicants to develop permanent housing plans while living in temporary housing. Applicants with no housing plans will receive information and tools to help them find available housing.
- It is important for applicants to keep their contact information current so they will receive correspondence from FEMA. They can update information or get answers to questions online at disasterassistance.gov or by calling the helpline.
- *Only if asked:*
 - Homeowners do not apply to FEMA for acquisition of their property. The state administers the program for voluntary property acquisition to mitigate future hazards.

By the Numbers (as of COB 12/09/15)

- **Registrations**
 - **95,148** individuals and households have contacted FEMA for assistance or information.
- **Individuals and Households Assistance**
 - **More than \$72.8 million** approved to help survivors in their recovery.
 - **More than \$63.2 million** of that amount approved for housing assistance such as temporary rentals and essential home repairs.
 - **More than \$9.6 million** approved for Other Needs Assistance such as medical, dental and other serious disaster-related needs.
- **Public Assistance**
 - **More than \$15.1 million** obligated for projects.
- **SBA Loans**
 - Nearly \$99 million approved.

Speakers Bureau

Date	Time	Event	County	Location
12/11/2015	10 a.m.	SC Commission for Minority Affairs Board Meeting	Richland	SC Commission for Minority Affairs, 2221 Devine St., Suite 408, Columbia

12/14/2015	7 p.m.	Call for Action - 2015 Carolina Flood Come Share Your Concerns about FEMA	Williamsburg	147 W. Main Street Kingstree
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Disaster Recovery Centers

- All DRCs are closed on Sundays
- Hours of operation are **9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday** and **10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday**, except those noted below.
- All DRCs will close at 4:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve and be closed on Christmas Day.
- All DRCs will close at 4:30 p.m. on New Year's Eve and be closed on New Year's Day.

County	Location	Address	Hours of Operation
Bamberg	Department of Social Services Building	374 Log Branch Rd., Bamberg	Open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday-Friday
Berkeley	Pine Ridge Fire Department	565 Myers Rd., Summerville	
Calhoun	John Ford Community Center	304 Agnes St., St. Matthews	
Charleston	Department of Public Works	5800 Casper Padgett Way, North Charleston	
Charleston	Bees Landing Recreation Center	1580 Ashley Gardens Blvd., Charleston	
Charleston	Berkeley Electric Co-op	3351 Maybank Highway, Johns Island	Closed Saturday
Clarendon	Weldon Auditorium	7 Maple St., Manning	
Colleton	Colleton County Recreation Center	280 Recreation Lane, Walterboro	Ceases operations 6 p.m. Dec. 16
Darlington	South Carolina National Guard Armory	1764 Harry Byrd, Darlington	Open 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday-Friday
Dorchester	Seacoast Church	301 E. 5th North St., Summerville	Ceases operations 6 p.m. Dec. 16
Florence	Holiness Conference Center (Evans Dining Hall)	620 S. Ron McNair Blvd., Lake City	
Georgetown	Beck Recreation Center	2030 West Church St., Georgetown	
Horry	North Strand Park and Recreation Center	120 Highway 57 South, Little River	Ceases operations 6 p.m. Dec. 16
Lee	Recreation Center	397 Chappell Dr., Bishopville	Ceases operations 3 p.m. Dec. 12
Lexington	Irmo Library	6251 St. Andrews Rd., Columbia	
Orangeburg	Government complex near police station	8423 Old State Rd., Holly Hill	Will close as DRC Dec. 12 and reopen as Disaster Loan Outreach Center Dec. 14

Orangeburg	Orangeburg County YMCA	2550 St. Matthews Rd., Orangeburg	
Orangeburg	Gaillard Park Rural Development Center	848 Sandspoint St., Eutawville	
Richland	Richland County Library Southeast	7421 Garners Ferry Rd., Columbia	
Richland	Richland County Library Eastover	608 Main St., Eastover	
Richland	Richland Library Main	1431 Assembly St., Columbia	
Richland	Temple of Faith Bible Way Church	2850 Congaree Rd., Gadsden	
Sumter	Central Carolina Technical College	853 Broad St., Sumter	
Williamsburg	Williamsburg Recreation Center	2084 Thurgood Marshall Hwy, Kingstree	