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Subject: Follow up: Help Line for Emergency Shelters

All- we wanted to make sure you saw the following release from EMD. We would also like to make a personal ask from our office that you share this important information with your viewers.

Thanks again for all of the help from your station getting information out this week.

-Chaney

From: Becker, Derrec [<mailto:DBecker@emd.sc.gov>]
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Subject: NEWS RELEASE: Help Line for Emergency Shelters



SCEMD

Office of the Adjutant General

State Emergency Operations Center
2779 Fish Hatchery Road, West Columbia, SC 29172

Hurricane Matthew

NEWS RELEASE 9 – REPEAT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

For Immediate Release

Contact: State Joint Information Center
Phone: 803-737-8515 | Social: [@SCEMD](https://twitter.com/SCEMD)

Helpline for Shelter Locations

Columbia, S.C. – Evacuees seeking refuge from Hurricane Matthew should call **1-866-246-0133** to be directed to the nearest open emergency shelter anywhere in the state. The state's public information phone system is operational 24 hours a day until South Carolina is no longer in danger.

The S.C. Emergency Management Division website, scemd.org, lists emergency shelter status statewide and is updated in real-time by the S.C. Department of Social Services.

Coastal evacuees currently traveling or without internet access are urged to call the PIPS line if they need assistance.

S.C. PUBLIC INFORMATION PHONE SYSTEM

1-866-246-0133

For more information visit scemd.org or follow @SCEMD on Twitter and Facebook.

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"South Carolina's emergency management program minimizes loss of life and property damage from all-hazard incidents."