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South Carolina Disaster Recovery Center Changes Sunday Hours in Gadsden

COLUMBIA, S.C. – The disaster recovery center in Gadsden has new hours on Sundays from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The center's Monday-to-Saturday hours remain 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. until further notice.

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

The disaster recovery center is located at the following address:

**Richland County
Temple of Faith Bible Way Church
2850 Congaree Road
Gadsden, SC**

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 or call the FEMA helpline at **800-621-3362**. Help is available in most languages, and phone lines are open 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week until further notice.

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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.

Additional disaster recovery centers are open in Richland and other South Carolina counties. For information on the locations of recovery centers call the FEMA helpline at **800-621-3362** or go online to www.DisasterAssistance.gov.

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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.