FEMA Teams Helping Pike County Survivors Jump-start their Recovery

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ATLANTA – FEMA teams are on the ground helping people in Pike County, which was added to the major disaster declaration for Georgia's severe storms, straightline winds, and tornadoes of Jan. 12. Pike County residents who sustained damage or losses from the storms may now apply for FEMA disaster assistance.

FEMA's Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA) teams are going door-to-door in neighborhoods impacted by the storms to help individuals apply for FEMA assistance. Using mobile technology, DSA personnel can help survivors apply for assistance, update a FEMA application, and answer questions about federal assistance. DSA teams wear FEMA attire and have federal photo identification badges. There is no charge for service.

Home Inspectors are also on the job. Those who report they cannot live safely in their home may need FEMA to perform an inspection of the damaged dwelling. FEMA will contact you to meet at the address where the damage was reported. You or your designated co-applicant identified on your registration will need to meet with an inspector and provide a photo ID. Housing inspectors will have an official photo-ID, your FEMA application number, and never charge fees for an inspection. If you have a question about the inspection, please call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362.

It is not necessary to wait for a visit from DSA to apply for assistance. Survivors in Pike County can visit the **State/FEMA Disaster Recovery Center (DRC)** in Spalding County, at the address listed directly below, which is the DRC closest to the impacted area in Pike County, or any of the additional six DRCs in Georgia. For a list of DRC locations and daily hours, visit the DRC Locator at egateway.fema.gov/ESF6/DRCLocator.

The Spalding County DRC is located at:



Spalding County Senior Center

855 Memorial Dr. Griffin, GA 30223

Hours: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Monday-Saturday)

To apply online or for more information, go online to <u>disasterassistance.com</u>, use the <u>FEMA mobile app</u>, or call **800-621-3362**, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Eastern Time, seven days a week. Help is available in most languages. If you use a relay service, such as video relay (VRS), captioned telephone, or other service, give FEMA the number for that service.

For the latest information on Georgia's recovery from the severe storms, straight-line winds, and tornadoes, visit fema.gov/disaster/4685. You may also follow @GeorgiaEMAHS/Twitter, Facebook.com/GeorgiaEMAHS, @FEMARegion4/Twitter and Facebook.com/FEMA.

