

Disaster Recovery Resource Fair Provides Advice on Hurricane Recovery

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DURHAM, N.C. – Area homeowners as well as renters and business owners whose properties were damaged by Hurricane Matthew flooding can find information and guidance on their next step at the Goldsboro Disaster Recovery Resource Fair.

The resource fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28 at the Goldsboro Event Center, 1501 South Slocomb St., Goldsboro, NC 27530. This is a rescheduling of the disaster recovery fair that was cancelled due to the winter storm.

Bilingual and American Sign Language interpreters will be on hand.

Do you have a particular recovery issue that puzzles you? Specialists in disaster recovery will be available for one-on-one discussions and to answer your questions.

Topics include:

- ? Housing resources
- ? Sheltering at home
- ? Flood insurance
- ? Foreclosure prevention
- ? Housing counseling
- ? Unemployment
- ? Title issues/successions
- ? Legal services
- ? Disaster tax relief
- ? Mitigation
- ? Various types of loans and more.



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Participants include: North Carolina Emergency Management, North Carolina Legal Aid, U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Small Business Administration, American Red Cross, FEMA, National Flood Insurance Program and others.

For more information or directions, call 336-851-8058.

For more information on North Carolina's recovery, visit fema.gov/disaster/4285 and readync.org. Follow FEMA on Twitter at @femaregion4 and North Carolina Emergency Management @NCEmergency.

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Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 or TTY at 800-462-7585.

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Dial 2-1-1 or 888-892-1162 to speak with a trained call specialist about questions you have regarding Hurricane Matthew; the service is free, confidential and available in any language. They can help direct you to resources. Call 5-1-1 or 877-511-4662 for the latest road conditions or check the ReadyNC mobile app, which also has real-time shelter and evacuation information. For updates on Hurricane Matthew impacts and relief efforts, go to ReadyNC.org or follow N.C. Emergency Management on Twitter and Facebook. People or organizations that want to help ensure North Carolina recovers can visit NCdisasterrelief.org or text NCRecovers to 30306.

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes, and private non-profit organizations fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of



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replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other recoveries and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations. For more information, applicants may contact SBA's Customer Service Center by calling (800) 659-2955, emailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov, or visiting SBA's Web site at www.sba.gov/disaster. Deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals may call (800) 877-8339.



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