

Preservation Teams Show How to Salvage Family Treasures

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FRANKFORT, Ky. –As Kentucky households recover from the February severe weather and floods, FEMA’s preservation teams will be in Disaster Recovery Centers throughout the commonwealth to demonstrate how to safely handle and salvage your damaged items. These specialists will show you how to salvage storm-damaged family photos, artwork, textiles, media and other family treasures.

Save Your Treasures Program Schedule

Preservation Teams will be in the following Disaster Recovery Centers today through Tuesday, March 25. You can expect the teams to be there from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 pm Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. On Tuesday, March 25, they will be available until 3 p.m.

■ PIKE COUNTY

- Pike Public Library, 126 Lee Avenue, Pikeville, KY 410501

■ FLOYD COUNTY

- Floyd County Board of Education, 442 Kentucky Route 550, Eastern, KY 41622

The Save Your Family Treasures program is a collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution and FEMA. Specialists visit Disaster Recovery Centers and provide advice to disaster survivors on how to salvage their personal keepsakes, including photographs, books, documents, textiles and other commonly damaged items. They provide demonstrations, hand out informational resources, and give technical assistance to visitors. If you are unable to attend an in-person demonstration, you can learn more about salvaging family treasures by visiting www.fema.gov/disaster/recover/save-family-treasures or culturalrescue.si.edu/who-we-are/hentf.

Survivors can also visit a recovery center to apply for FEMA assistance, receive referrals to other assistance that may be available and much more. To find the



nearest center, visit www.fema.gov/drc or text “DRC” and a Zip Code to 43362.

If you are unable to visit the center, there are other ways to apply: online at DisasterAssistance.gov, use the FEMA [mobile app](#) or call 800-621-3362. If you use a relay service, such as Video Relay Service (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA the number for that service.

For an accessible video on how to apply for FEMA assistance, go to youtube.com/watch?v=WZGpWI2RCNw.

For more information about Kentucky flooding recovery, visit www.fema.gov/disaster/4860. Follow the FEMA Region 4 X account at x.com/femaregion4.

