

Disaster Recovery Centers to Close but FEMA Help Still Available

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ATLANTA – Disaster Recovery Centers in **Butts, Henry, Jasper, Meriwether, Newton** and **Troup** counties will close **Saturday, Feb. 25**, but that does not mean that FEMA is leaving the state.

The recovery center in **Spalding County** will remain open to help survivors of the Jan. 12 severe storms and tornadoes. The center's location:

- **Spalding County Senior Center, 885 Memorial Dr., Griffin, GA 30223**
- **Hours of operation: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Saturday**

Disaster Recovery Centers in the other six counties will wrap up operations **Feb. 25**. You may visit any recovery center to get help. To find one near you, go to <https://gateway.fema.gov/ESF6/DRCLocator>.

FEMA is continuing its work with the state and other partners to help Georgia residents recover from the storms. FEMA specialists are still available to help update information in your accounts and direct you to federal, state and community programs and assistance.

As of Feb. 20, more than 1,750 people have visited the Disaster Recovery Centers. They have received information or referrals to programs offered by FEMA, the U.S. Small Business Administration and other federal, state and local agencies and organizations.

Even with the scheduled closings, help from FEMA is just a phone call away. Survivors can get answers from specialists at the **FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362**. Operators speak many languages and lines are open from **7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily**. Press 2 for Spanish. Press 3 for an interpreter who speaks your language.



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It is important to stay in touch with FEMA if you change your address or phone number, even if only temporarily. Missing or wrong information could delay your check.

The deadline to apply for FEMA disaster assistance is **Monday, March 20**. Here are the ways to apply:

- Visit [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.fema.gov/disasterassistance)
- Use the [FEMA mobile app](#); or
- Call the **FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362**. If you use video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA your number for that service.
- For an accessible video on how to apply, go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LU7wzRjByhI&list=PL720Kw_OoJlKOhtKG7HM_0n_kEav

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](https://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaEMAHS), [@FEMARegion4/Twitter](#) and [Facebook.com/FEMA](https://www.facebook.com/FEMA).



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