

FEMA Hosting Job Fair in Valdosta to Recruit Georgians for Hurricane Irma Recovery Work Monday, Nov. 13

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WARNER ROBINS, Ga. — The Georgia Department of Labor (Georgia DOL) and Federal Emergency Management Agency are hosting a job fair to recruit ***more than 50 Georgians under FEMA's Local Hire program.***

The hiring event will take place on **Monday, Nov. 13, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.** at the **Valdosta Career Center**, located at **221 South Ashley St., Valdosta, GA 31601.**

FEMA hires local residents, who themselves may be disaster survivors, on a temporary basis to help their fellow citizens in the recovery process and to add to disaster operational staffing. A Local Hire's term of employment is generally 120 days. The term may be less than 120 days or may be extended for up to one year.

Local Hire positions in Georgia pay between \$18 and \$45 per hour, and may lead to longer-term employment opportunities with state and federal emergency management agencies. Duty stations are in Albany, Atlanta, Brunswick, Savannah and Warner Robins, but you may live outside of these areas and commute with your own resources.

If you plan to attend the hiring event, bring at least one copy of your resume and two valid forms of ID. Be prepared to complete a full job application, be interviewed on the spot, and be processed for a background check.

Among the positions, FEMA is seeking applicants for more than 40 Public Assistance Site Inspector openings for the Public Assistance program in Albany, Atlanta, Brunswick, Savannah and Warner Robins. Knowledge or experience related to construction, construction management, project management, engineering tech or public works is ideal but not required.



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Other available positions include:

- Mitigation Specialist
- Environmental Preservation Specialist
- Historical Preservation Specialist
- Administrative Assistant
- External Affairs Specialist

For a full list of positions and their job descriptions, go to www.fema.gov/disaster/4338 and click “We are hiring.” You can also view the list of available positions by locality at <https://careers.fema.gov/hurricane>.

If you cannot attend, you may also apply for Local Hire positions online or via email:

- Create a profile on www.employgeorgia.com/jobseekers and submit your resume for the specific position(s) you’re interested in; or,
- Send your resume to FEMA-DR4338GA-LocalHires@fema.dhs.gov. Include the job title and location of the position you are applying for in the subject line of the email.

Candidates must be U.S. citizens 18 years of age or older. They must have a valid government identification card, such as a driver’s license, state ID or military ID or U.S. Passport. Before hiring, selected candidates will be subject to a complete background investigation.

FEMA is committed to employing a highly qualified workforce that reflects the diversity of our nation. The federal government is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, political affiliation, non-disqualifying physical handicap, sexual orientation and any other non-merit factor.

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someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800-462-7585.

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