

Disaster Recovery Center to Open in Liberty County

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BRUNSWICK, Ga. — A Georgia Disaster Recovery Center will open Tuesday to assist Hurricane Irma survivors in **Liberty** and **McIntosh Counties**. The center will be open daily and staffed by representatives of the State of Georgia, FEMA and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

The center is located at:

Liberty County Community Complex
9397 E. Oglethorpe Hwy.
Midway, GA 31320

Beginning Tuesday, hours of operation will be:

Mon-Fri: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Residents can talk with recovery staff about recovering from hurricane damage, complete and submit an SBA low-interest disaster loan, receive helpful recovery information and discuss other matters of concern. However, it is not necessary to visit a DRC to receive FEMA assistance. All that is required is to register with FEMA.

Georgia residents may visit any DRC for assistance. Other open DRCs are:

Chatham County

Tybee Island YMCA Gym
202 5th Street
Tybee Island, GA 31328

Camden County

Camden County Recreation Center
1050 Wildcat Blvd
Kingsland, GA 31548



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The quickest way to apply for federal assistance is online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or through the [FEMA mobile app](#).

Survivors may also apply by phone at 800-621-3362 (voice, 711 or VRS) or 800-462-7585 (TTY). Lines may be busy. Try calling in the morning or evening when call volume may be lower. The toll-free numbers are open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. ET, seven days a week.

Have this information ready when you apply:

- Social Security number
- Address of the damaged home or apartment
- Description of the damage
- Information about insurance coverage
- A current contact telephone number
- An address where you can receive mail
- Bank account and routing numbers for direct deposit of funds

Applicants will receive a unique registration number, which will verify their identity to FEMA during recovery. The deadline to apply for disaster assistance in Georgia is Nov. 14.

The SBA offers low-interest, long-term disaster loans for homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private nonprofits.

After registering with FEMA, if you are referred to SBA, you should complete the loan application even if you do not plan to accept a loan. It is a step in the federal disaster assistance process. If you do not qualify for a home loan, you may become eligible for grant assistance from FEMA. You do not have to accept a loan if one is offered.

Additional information on the disaster loan program may be obtained by:

- Calling SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing)
- Sending an email to DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov

Homeowners, renters and businesses can find an electronic loan application on the SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>. Questions can be



addressed by calling the SBA disaster customer service center at 800-659-2995 or (TTY) 800-877-8339 or www.sba.gov/disaster.

For more information on Georgia's hurricane recovery, go to www.fema.gov/disaster/4338 or visit the Georgia Emergency Management Agency site at gema.ga.gov

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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-FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800-462-7585.

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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 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 Disaster Assistance 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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