## **FEMA Specialists to Offer Mitigation Tips at Home Depot in Jacksonville**

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RALEIGH, N.C. – Disaster survivors can get tips and advice on how to rebuild stronger against future storm damage at The Home Depot location in Jacksonville starting Oct. 9.

FEMA flood mitigation specialists can answer questions about home repair, making disaster plans, putting together supply kits and the importance of flood insurance.

Mitigation is the effort to reduce the loss of life and property damage by lessening the impact of future disasters. The mitigation specialists will be available at:

The Home Depot

479 Western Blvd. Hwy 17

Jacksonville, N.C. 28546

Tuesday, Oct. 9 through Friday, Oct. 26, 2018

from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. local time.

More mitigation events will be held at home improvement stores in disasteraffected North Carolina counties in the coming weeks.

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FEMA's temporary housing assistance and grants for public transportation expenses, medical and dental expenses, and funeral and burial expenses do not require individuals to apply for an SBA loan. However, applicants who receive SBA loan applications must submit them to SBA loan officers to be eligible for assistance that covers personal property, vehicle repair or replacement, and moving and storage expenses.



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