

# Smithsonian Experts to Share Tips on Salvaging Family Treasures

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**COLUMBIA, S.C.** – South Carolina survivors of Hurricane Florence can learn how to salvage storm-damaged household treasures from Smithsonian Institution preservation experts visiting five State/FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) over the next two weeks.

Among the heirlooms that may be salvageable are photos, artwork, quilts, important documents and other keepsakes. The experts will discuss how to handle, dry and clean these items, maintain personal safety during the salvage process, set priorities and other treatment options.

Part of the Heritage Emergency National Task Force, the Smithsonian experts are visiting these locations:

County	Locations	Times
Horry	Horry Georgetown Technical College 2050 US 501 Conway, SC 29526	Tues-Thurs, Oct. 23 to 25  Hours: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.



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Dillon	City of Dillon Wellness Center 1647 Commerce Drive Dillon, SC 29536	Tues-Wed, Oct. 23 & 24  Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Marion	Marion County Industrial Park 2914 Spartan Pl. Marion, SC 29571	Thurs, Oct. 25  Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Chesterfield	Northeast Technical College - Building 200 1201 Chesterfield Highway Cheraw, SC 29520	Tues-Wed, Oct. 30 & Oct. 31  Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Marlboro	Marian Wright Edelman Public Library of Marlboro County 203 Fayetteville Ave Bennettsville, SC 29512	Thurs, Nov. 1  Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Co-sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Smithsonian Institution, the Heritage Emergency National Task Force is a partnership of 58 national service organizations and federal agencies. It was created to protect cultural heritage from the damaging effects of natural disasters and other emergencies. For more information on the task force, email [HENTF@si.edu](mailto:HENTF@si.edu).



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For more information on Hurricane Florence and South Carolina recovery, visit the S.C. Emergency Management Division website at [scemd.org](https://scemd.org) on social media ([@SCEMD](https://twitter.com/SCEMD) on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram), or FEMA's Hurricane Florence disaster webpage at [www.fema.gov/disaster/4394](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4394), or Facebook at [www.facebook.com/FEMA](https://www.facebook.com/FEMA), and the FEMA Region 4 Twitter account at [twitter.com/FEMARegion4](https://twitter.com/FEMARegion4).



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