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DISASTER RECOVERY CENTER TO OPEN IN EDGECOMBE COUNTY

RALEIGH, N.C. – A short-term disaster recovery center will open in Tarboro at noon Thursday, Sept. 15, to help survivors with property damage and other setbacks from Hurricane Irene.

Hours for the Edgecombe County center are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., except Sunday, when it will be open 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. It will permanently close Monday, Sept. 19, at 7 p.m.

The center is located at:

**Edgecombe County Administration Building
201 Saint Andrew St.
Tarboro, N.C. 27886**

Representatives from the [Federal Emergency Management Agency](#), [North Carolina Division of Emergency Management](#) and other agencies are at the centers to explain assistance programs and help survivors apply for disaster aid.

There are three ways to register with FEMA:

1. Call **800-621-FEMA (3362)**. Help is available in most languages. People who have a speech disability or are deaf or hard of hearing may call (TTY) **800-462-7585**; users of **711** or Video Relay Service can call **800-621-3362**.
2. Register online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov.
3. Register using a tablet or smartphone by visiting m.fema.gov.

Disaster recovery centers are already open in **Barco, Buxton, Chocowinity, Columbia, Grantsboro, Greenville, Halifax, Jacksonville, Kinston, Manteo, Morehead City, New Bern, Plymouth, Snow Hill** and **Swan Quarter**. A complete list of disaster recovery centers is available through the Hurricane Irene link at www.nccrimecontrol.org or the FEMA locator at www.fema.gov/drclocator.

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

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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