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Hurricane Recovery Reminders

County Debris Collection

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. – Cumberland County is completing its Hurricane Matthew storm debris collection. Any residents in the county's **unincorporated areas only** who have storm debris from Hurricane Matthew should place it in the right of way and contact the county at 910-678-7633.

The County has collected 292 tons of construction and demolition debris and vegetative debris.

City of Fayetteville residents should call 433-1FAY (1329) with questions about their storm debris.

FEMA Application Deadline on Monday

Cumberland County residents affected by Hurricane Matthew have until **Monday**, **Jan. 9**, **at 11:59 p.m.** to register for disaster assistance grants from the Federal Emergency Management Administration and to submit applications for low-interest disaster loans to the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Registering with FEMA is the first step to find out if you may be eligible for federal help. Residents are encouraged to register even if you think you are not eligible for federal or state funding. Disaster assistance may include grants to help pay for temporary housing, emergency home repairs to make your home habitable, and for other disaster-related needs, such as medical and dental services, transportation and funeral costs. These grants are not taxable income and will not affect your Social Security, Medicaid, Medicare and other federal and state programs.

To register:

- Go online to <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>.
- Call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362** for voice, 711 and Video Relay Service. If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a TTY, call **800-462-7585**.
- Download the <u>FEMA Mobile App and apply.</u>

The Disaster Recovery Center remains open at the Cumberland County Department of Social Services, 1225 Ramsey Street. Operating hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. The center will be closed this Saturday, Jan. 7, due to the winter storm.