

Sumter County, FL –Sumter County, Utility Providers, and the Cities continue to work diligently to restore services and provide assistance to residents in the aftermath of Hurricane Milton. These recovery efforts are focusing on critical areas including utility restoration, debris removal, and community safety.

Disaster Assistance

Sumter County as a whole has received a presidential declaration for Individual Assistance (residents and businesses) and Public Assistance (Public Entities). To Apply for Disaster Assistance, please call 1-800-621-3362 or visit www.DisasterAssistance.gov

American Red Cross contact:

John McCarty

228-229-2189

john.mccartyiii.org

Shelter

For residents displaced by the storm or those concerned about being isolated by rising waters, Sumter County has a shelter available at Sumter County Fairgrounds, located at 7620 SR 471, Webster, FL. Information about what to bring to a shelter is available here:

<https://www.sumtercountyfl.gov/1109/Shelters>

Assistance with Clean Up on Private Property

Two services are available that residents can use to get volunteers and hired professionals to help take care of clean up and repair activities. Residents and businesses can contact Crisis Cleanup at 844-965-1386 or Hope Florida at 833-GET-HOPE (438-4673). Both services can help individuals reach dedicated volunteers and qualified businesses with after-the-storm needs.

The City of Webster is dedicated to ensuring the safety and recovery of our community. Residents can call City of Webster 352-793-2073 if they encounter non-life-threatening downed trees or have other concerns. If you encounter a life-threatening situation, please call or text 911.