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News Release

Disaster Recovery Centers Open Oct. 25 in Crisp, Dougherty and Lee Counties for Georgia Survivors

ATLANTA, Ga. — Three additional state/FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) are opening on Thursday, Oct. 25, to help residents through the assistance process after damage and losses suffered during Hurricane Michael.

Representatives from the State of Georgia, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) are at the center to answer questions about disaster assistance and low-interest disaster loans for businesses, homeowners and renters. They can also help survivors apply for federal disaster assistance.

The following location will serve as a Disaster Recovery Center from Oct. 25, until further notice:

Dougherty County

Albany Technology College Kirkland Hall 1704 S. Slappey Blvd. Albany, GA 31701

Hours of operation until further notice are:

Mon – Sat.: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday: 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Locations in Crisp and Lee counties will be **open for six days**, from **Thursday**, **Oct. 25 through** close of business **Tuesday**, **Oct. 30**, **2018** and **Closed Wednesday** at:

Crisp County

Crisp County Govt. Bldg. 210 S. 7th St. Cordele, Ga. 31015

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Lee County

Century Fire Station 934 U.S. Hwy. 19 S. Leesburg, GA. 31763

Hours of operation are:

Thursday, Oct. 25 through Tuesday, Oct. 30: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. For Sunday Oct. 28: 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

It is not necessary to visit a center to register for and receive federal disaster assistance. To be eligible for federal aid under FEMA's Individual Assistance Program, damage must have occurred because of Hurricane Michael from October 8, 2018 and continuing.

If possible, survivors should register with FEMA before visiting a recovery center. Residents in Baker, Crisp, Decatur, Dougherty, Early, Grady, Lee, Miller, Mitchell, Seminole, Terrell, Thomas and Worth counties, can register for assistance by the following methods

- o The quickest way to apply for federal assistance is online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov.
- o Survivors may also apply by phone at 800-621-3362 or 800-462-7585 (TTY).
- o The toll-free numbers are open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. ET, seven days a week.

Survivors may visit any DRC in any state for assistance. To find the location of all open DRCs, use the FEMA Mobile app or visit www.FEMA.gov/DRC.

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