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Groups Invited to Disaster Recovery Meeting on Wednesday

FAYETTEVILLE, NC – Efforts to establish a long-term disaster recovery committee in Cumberland County will continue on Wednesday at 10 a.m. Representatives from businesses, non-profit agencies, faith-based organizations and community volunteer groups are invited to meet in Conference Room B of the Department of Social Services building at 1225 Ramsey St. to work toward matching long-term disaster recovery needs with community resources.

The meeting will focus on creating a name and mission statement for the group and organizing a steering committee into smaller committees. Organizations interested in helping with recovery efforts are encouraged to attend.

FEMA reports there are 12 Long-Term Recovery Committees being formed in various North Carolina counties to assist with critical needs not met by state and federal programs.

For more information, call (910) 677-2035.

Don't forget, June 20 is the deadline to register with the Federal Emergency Management Agency for disaster assistance and to apply for U.S. Small Business Administration disaster loans. Individuals can register for FEMA disaster assistance by calling 800-621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 800-462-7585 for deaf and hard-of-hearing callers. Registration can be done online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or with a web-enabled mobile device or smartphone at m.fema.gov and link to “apply online for federal assistance.”

It is important that the SBA applications be returned by the deadline so that storm victims are not disqualified from receiving further federal assistance. For more information about SBA disaster loans, call 800-659-2955.

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