



## News Release



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## FEMA Website Allows for Pre-Application for Assistance JIC Media Release 3:30 PM

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. – Although Cumberland County has not received a federal declaration for individual assistance at this time, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has established the website [www.DisasterAssistance.gov](http://www.DisasterAssistance.gov) to allow the public to pre-apply for Individual Assistance.

Citizens should note that this website is not a direct application for Federal assistance to assist in disaster recovery. **Pre-Applications made to this website do not guarantee any type of assistance will be given.** This website allows Hurricane Matthew victims a chance to pre-apply for federal assistance. Once initial damage assessments are conducted and a federal declaration is made, the application will then be reviewed.

In addition to the application process, the website also gives disaster victims insight on the federal disaster declaration process, information on the types of assistance available, as well as guides to disaster recovery.

Information and updates on the damage assessment process will be given when they become available.

Media should call the Joint Information Center at 910-437-1880 or 910-321-6676 for media queries.

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