

# Hurricane Recovery Efforts Continue

*Help is still available for those in need*

With floodwaters yet to recede in some communities, emergency officials continue to coordinate the ongoing recovery efforts throughout the counties affected by Hurricane Matthew.



Residents in eastern North Carolina who are already receiving food and nutrition benefits, but can't access them due to Hurricane Matthew, are asked to contact the [Electronic Benefits Transfer Call Center](#) at **1-866-719-0141** or the county Department of Social Services to request replacement benefits. The deadline to request the replacement benefits is Friday, October 28.



If officials have given the "all clear" and you are planning on reentering a flood-damaged home, be sure to check out these [tips from state environmental health experts](#) to keep you safe. For those making home repairs, state officials urge residents to [be aware of the potential for fraud](#) and to use caution when hiring workers to make repairs or assist with cleanup.



Driving to certain areas is still tricky as more than 570 roads remain closed as of Sunday morning. Call **5-1-1** for the latest road conditions.

**Dial 2-1-1** to speak with a trained call specialist about questions you have regarding Hurricane Matthew; the service is free and confidential. They can help direct you to resources.



Governor Pat McCrory has activated the North Carolina Disaster Relief Fund, which offers an option for donating money to help survivors of Hurricane Matthew.

To donate, visit [ncdisasterrelief.org](http://ncdisasterrelief.org) or text NCRECOVERS to 30306. Individuals, including homeowners, renters, and business owners, in the designated counties who suffered loss or damages due to Hurricane Matthew may register for assistance online at [DisasterAssistance.gov](http://DisasterAssistance.gov), by downloading the [FEMA mobile app](http://FEMA mobile app), or by calling **1-800-621-FEMA (3362)**.

For updates on Hurricane Matthew impacts and relief efforts, go to [ReadyNC.org](http://ReadyNC.org) or check out the [Department of Public Safety's website](http://Department of Public Safety's website).

