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## County Launches New Disaster Recovery Website

Beaufort County launched a new <u>disaster recovery website</u> that will serve as a one-stop portal for residents, businesses and municipalities to gain information about services available to them in the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew.

"After any natural disaster, a community's residents instantly seek out information and are at risk of receiving misinformation," said Josh Riley, Web Design and Content Manager. "Having a one-stop shop for all of our disaster recovery needs will help Beaufort County to prevent this from happening. We want our residents to have quality information and resources at their fingertips."

The website features information on shelter and food resources, debris removal guidelines, Federal Emergency Management Assistance (FEMA) updates, information on utilities and other hurricane-related information for Beaufort County residents.

"The website is updated daily, which allows everyone the opportunity to see real-time snapshots of our activities," said Gary Kubic, Beaufort County Administrator. "It's an innovative and informative portal of information that sparks collaboration between our county leaders and residents."

County departments and other agencies are able to collaborate, analyze and share information about their collective recovery efforts, and put residents in contact with support agencies to address their specific needs.

Residents are encouraged to visit the Beaufort County disaster recovery website at <u>beaufortcountydisasterrecovery.net</u>.

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