

News Release



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Charleston County Hurricane Irma Update # 8

[Charleston County Government](#) moved to Operational Condition (OPCON) 3 at noon today. As we transition towards recovery, Emergency Management is asking residents to be mindful of debris or standing water on the roads. Please use caution during clean-up, moving heavy objects and especially if using a chainsaw.

- Avoid downed and sagging power lines.
- Report them immediately to the power company, police or fire department.
- Beware of snakes, insects and other animals driven to higher ground by floodwater.
- Open windows and doors to ventilate and dry your home.
- Check refrigerated foods for spoilage.

Both Charleston County shelters are closed as of noon today. The American Red Cross will continue to be available for as long as needed. If you need assistance when you return home, please call [1-800-RED CROSS](tel:1-800-RED-CROSS).

Charleston County Operations:

- All Charleston County Offices will be open on Wednesday, September 13.
- Charleston County Libraries will be open Wednesday, September 13, except the West Ashley Library. Facilities crews are currently assessing other branches and we will announce if any other branches will remain closed based on those assessments later this afternoon. Please check back for updates.
- Recycling collections will resume on Wednesday, September 13 on a two-day delay.
- The Bees Ferry Landfill is open. Charleston Convenience Centers will be open at 9 a.m. Wednesday except for Edisto and Signal Point.
- Charleston County Zoning and Planning
 - County Council Public hearing on the Parkers Ferry Overlay Zoning District on Tuesday, September 12 is postponed.
- County Council meeting has been rescheduled for Sept. 19 at 6:30 p.m.
- Charleston County downtown garages on Cumberland Street and at King and Queen Street will resume normal operations at 8 p.m. tonight. If you parked your car in the garages during the storm, you will be able to exit at no charge.
- DAODAS Charleston Center information:
 - All services will resume normal operations Wednesday, September 13.
- Charleston County Judicial Center and jury duty information
 - Initial appearance and status conference roll calls scheduled for Friday, September 8 are rescheduled to Friday, September 15 at 2:00 p.m.
 - Status conference roll call scheduled for Tuesday, September 12 is rescheduled for Friday, September 15 at 2:00 p.m.

Damage Report Tool:

Damage assessment teams are out assessing properties impacted by Irma.

Charleston County residents can use the link below to report damages related to the storm. This will allow for us to collect initial damage assessment data from the public to assist with a potential FEMA Declaration and to be able to direct damage assessment teams to the areas hit the hardest.

<https://www.crisistrack.com/public/charlestonSC/citizenRequest.html>

The Citizen's Information Line will remain active until 5 p.m. today and will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, September 13.

- (843) 746 – 3900
- Spanish (843) 746 - 3909
- TTY (843) 746 – 3911

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