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Disaster Food Benefits Offered Friday through Oct. 6

BAYBORO, N.C. - Pamlico County has been declared a disaster county by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services. These declarations authorize the Department of Social Services to administer the Disaster Food and Nutrition benefits program.

This program is designed to authorize food stamp benefits for eligible households that are not currently receiving food and nutrition benefits and have experienced a loss as a result of Hurricane Florence. Residents may qualify for assistance for a one-month period if their home was damaged or destroyed or they have disaster related expenses, or if they lost income or had food loss because of a power outage or household flooding resulting from Hurricane Florence. Eligibility is based on available income and resources.

Residents currently receiving food stamp benefits, including those requesting replacement benefits, are not eligible for this disaster program.

Applications for Disaster Food and Nutrition benefits will be taken at Pamlico County Human Services Center located at 828 Main St. in Alliance beginning **Friday, Sept. 28**, through **Saturday, Sept. 29**, and **Monday, Oct. 1, through Saturday, Oct. 6**. Applications will be taken from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will not be open on Sunday, Sept. 30th.

Individuals making application will be asked to provide verification of identity. This does not have to be picture identification; any document that shows their name, such as a utility or other bill, will be accepted.

Because we anticipate long lines and wait times, individuals are encouraged to bring medications and other necessary items. Due to limited space, individuals are encouraged to limit the number of people accompanying them and to consider arranging child care if possible. Residents should come prepared for inclement weather while waiting outdoors as no outdoor shelter is available for those waiting in line.

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