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Wake County Approved for Disaster-Related Food and Nutrition Benefits

In response to the damage caused by Hurricane Matthew, Wake County has been approved to receive Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. DSNAP is a federal program that offers short-term food assistance benefits to people suffering after a disaster. The benefits are available to Wake County households that are not currently receiving Food and Nutrition Services benefits but meet federal income and resource requirements.

Wake County residents may qualify for disaster nutrition assistance for a one-month period if they sustained losses from Hurricane Matthew, including:

- Destroyed or damaged homes;
- Disaster-related expenses; and
- Loss of income or food as a result of power outage or household flooding.

Wake County will accept DSNAP applications from Oct. 27 – Oct. 31 at the following locations:

- [Swinburne](#), 220 Swinburne St., Raleigh;
- [Housing Authority of the County of Wake](#), 100 Shannon Drive, Zebulon; and
- [Southern Regional Center](#), 130 North Judd Parkway, Fuquay-Varina.

Application sites will be open:

- Oct. 27-29: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.;
- Oct. 30: 12 – 6 p.m.; and
- Oct. 31: 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Those applying for DSNAP benefits must provide proof of identity along with proof of residency, if available. Applicants must apply in the county where they live.

Once eligibility is determined, benefits will be issued within 72 hours on an electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card.

For more information, please visit the North Carolina Department of Health and Human

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