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## **DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS OPEN IN CAMILLA AND ROBERTA, GEORGIA**

**CORDELE, Ga.** – The state of Georgia and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) today opened Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) in two additional locations for people affected by the March 1-2, 2007, severe storms and tornadoes.

The DRCs opened at noon and will remain open until 6:30 p.m. this evening. Beginning Friday, March 9, the hours of operation will be 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

- Serving Mitchell County, the DRC is located in the Emergency Operations Center, 4767 Highway 37 East, Camilla, GA.
- Serving Taylor and Crawford Counties, the DRC is located 1011 Highway 341 North (Business Center), Roberta, GA.

Disaster victims are urged to register for assistance first by calling **1-800-621-FEMA (3362)** or **TTY 1-800-462-7585** for the hearing or speech impaired. Victims can also register online at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) or visit a DRC for more information.

Representatives of the state, federal and voluntary agencies, as well as customer service representatives from the U.S. Small Business Administration, are available to answer questions and provide recovery information. Written materials about various assistance programs also are available to individuals and business owners. **FEMA will not issue cash, checks, debit cards or vouchers at the DRC.** The center is for the dissemination of information to assist in victim recovery.

DRCs currently are open in Sumter County at 1607 Martin Luther King Blvd., Americus, GA – Gertrude Davenport Building and in Baker County at 139 Roosevelt Street, Newton, GA. Hours of operation are from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

*Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, economic status or retaliation. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, you should call FEMA toll-free at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or contact your State Office of Equal Rights. If suspicious of any abuse of FEMA programs, please contact the fraud hotline at 1-800-323-8603.*

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*FEMA manages federal response and recovery efforts following any national incident, initiates mitigation activities and manages the National Flood Insurance Program. FEMA works closely with state and local emergency managers, law enforcement personnel, firefighters and other first responders. FEMA became part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security on March 1, 2003.*

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Editors: For more information on Georgia disaster recovery, visit [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov) or [www.gema.state.ga.us](http://www.gema.state.ga.us)