CHELSEA SAWYER FROM CEMA WILL BE AVAILBLE TO ANY MEDIA AGENCY THAT DESIRES AN INTERVIEW ON THIS SUBJECT FROM 2PM-3PM TODAY. PLEASE CALL CATHERINE TO SCHEDULE.



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## Voluntary Agencies Coordination Effort to Help Chatham County Residents Affected by Hurricane Irma

CHATHAM COUNTY, GA (May 17, 2018) – This Saturday, May 19, 2018, from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., the Coastal Empire Disaster Recovery Committee (CEDRC) is holding a phone screening event to identify individuals within Chatham County that still need assistance recovering from Hurricane Irma. CEDRC is a coordination of voluntary agencies that formed in the aftermath of Hurricane Irma to assist Chatham County residents.

Residents who believe they may qualify for case management should call the CEDRC Hotline any time on Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; the phone number is **912-644-8899**. When residents call, they will be asked questions regarding their unmet needs in recovering from Hurricane Irma. Information obtained through the CEDRC screening process will remain confidential. Please note that this is an assessment. The voluntary agencies are evaluating the community's unmet needs in order to pursue additional resources to help the community. Screening does not guarantee case management and case management does not guarantee financial assistance.

CEDRC consists of several non-profit and faith-based organizations including The Salvation Army, The South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church, Lutheran Services of Georgia, Coastal Georgia YMCA, Senior Citizens Inc., and others.

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