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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# Hurricane Matthew Damage Assessment for Homeowners

**WOODBINE, GEORGIA – October 25, 2016** – Camden County has not been declared for federal assistance for homeowners, known as “*Individual Assistance*”. However, the County is still conducting damage assessments and submitting that information to FEMA in hopes of being included in the declaration.

If you own your home and have damage caused by Hurricane Matthew, we want to hear from you. You can go online to <http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/hurricanmatthew> and submit your information or you may call 912-729-3911 and give us your information. Either way someone will contact you about doing an assessment.

**Here are some quick facts provided by the FEMA Individual Assistance website. I need help from FEMA.**

- **Home/Primary Residence:** FEMA provides housing assistance to individuals and families who have lost their homes as a result of a presidentially-declared disaster. By law, FEMA assistance cannot duplicate the assistance you receive from your insurance company. If your home was impacted by a major disaster FEMA recommend that you contact your local Emergency Management office.
- **Business:** FEMA does not offer assistance for small businesses impacted by a presidentially-declared disaster. However, FEMA does partner with the Small Business Administration (SBA), which offers low interest loans for business damages. Learn more about the business loan application process.
- **Secondary Home:** FEMA does not offer assistance for your secondary home. Federal guidelines only allow us to provide housing assistance when your primary residence is impacted by a presidentially-declared disaster.

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- **Other Needs Assistance:** FEMA does offer disaster assistance for some of your other disaster-related expenses including, medical and dental, child care, funeral and burial, essential household items, moving and storage, vehicle, and some clean-up items.

Thank you for your patience should you have any questions or to complete a damage assessment form please call our office at 912-792-3911, Monday through Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm or go online to <http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/hurricanmatthew> and complete the form.

**About Camden County:** Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is “Georgia’s Coastal Community of Choice.” Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

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