

Potential Disaster Assistance Ideas

If you or someone you know has been personally adversely affected by a disaster (flood, tornado, fire), the following agencies and organizations may be able to provide some disaster assistance:

- **American Red Cross** - 800-733-2767 - or go to www.redcross.org - and then enter your zip code to find your local Red Cross chapter
- **Farm Service Agency** (if you have a farm) - www.disaster.fsa.usda.gov
- **Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)** - www.fema.gov/assistance/index.shtm - 1-800-621-3362
- FEMA assists with federally declared disasters (severe storms, tornados, flooding, hurricane, etc.) - helps you to determine if you qualify and explains how to apply for assistance
- **Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA)** - www.gema.state.ga.us - 404-635-7000
- **Georgia Crisis and Access Line** - 1-800-715-4225 (24/7 speak to a live person) or www.mygcal.com
- **Correctional Peace Officer Foundation** - contact your Warden, Superintendent, Chief Probation Officer, or statewide EAP coordinator (404-463-6623) - Anyone who works for Corrections may be eligible for benefits. Benefits occur with a catastrophic event that has strained the finances of the family (typical cases - house fire, tornado, severe flooding, extended/major illness, extended leave without pay due to car wreck, etc.) CPOF does not help with regular maintenance repairs, elective surgeries, etc.
- **Local Georgia Community Action Agency** - check both Captiva as well as GDC Public Website under Employee Support, then Overall Directories, then Georgia Community Action Association Listing. Then look for your particular county of residence and give them a call to see how they might assist. They list emergency assistance as one of their services.
- **United Way** - Call 2-1-1
- **Your personal insurance agent** (homeowners, renter's, personal)
- **Local churches, places of worship, etc. as well as civic organizations in your community**
- **Local DFACS office** - they probably don't have assistance there but may be able to direct you to some resources in the community. To locate your local DFACS office, go to www.dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov , go to top left hand corner and select county offices, and then scroll down for a listing of all county offices and then scroll to locate your county of residence.