

# Resources for those affected by Hurricane Helene, impacting the southeast

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## Alabama

### Dale County

**Daleville Cultural Arts Center**  
730 Daleville Ave.  
Daleville, AL 36322

## Florida

### Alachua County

**Easton Newberry Sports Complex** - *Pet friendly*  
24880 NW 16th Ave.  
Newberry, FL 32669

**Gainesville Senior Center** - *Special needs*  
5701 N.W. 34th Blvd.  
Gainesville, FL 32653

**Martin Luther King Jr. Multipurpose Center**  
- *Special needs, pet friendly*  
1028 N.E. 14th St.  
Gainesville, FL 32601

### Bradford County

**Bradford County Fairgrounds**  
2300 N. Temple Ave.  
Stark, FL 32091

**Dopson Family Medical Center** - *Special needs*  
159 N. 3rd St.  
Macclenny, FL 32063

**Macclenny Elementary School**  
1 Wild Kitten Dr.  
Macclenny, FL 32063

### Calhoun County

**Mossy Pond Library**  
22216 Lake McKenzie Blvd.  
Altha, FL 32421

### Charlotte County

**Harold Avenue Regional Park Recreation Center**  
- *Pet friendly*  
23400 Harold Ave.  
Port Charlotte, FL 33980

**New Day Christian Church** - *Special needs*  
20212 Peachland Blvd.  
Port Charlotte, FL 33954

**Kingsway Elementary School** - *Pet friendly*  
23300 Quasar Blvd.  
Port Charlotte, FL 33980

### Citrus County

**Central Ridge Elementary School**  
185 W. Citrus Springs Blvd.  
Citrus Springs, FL 34434

**Citrus High School**  
600 W. Highland Blvd.  
Inverness, FL 34452

**Forrest Ridge Elementary School**  
- *Special needs*  
2927 N. Forest Ridge Blvd.  
Hernando, FL 34442

**Renaissance Center** - *Pet friendly*  
3630 W. Educational Path  
Lecanto, FL 34461

### Clay County

**Asbury Junior High School** - *Special needs*  
2851 Sandridge Rd.  
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

**Clay High School**  
2025 FL-16  
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

**Orange Park High School** - *Pet friendly*  
2300 Kingsley Ave.  
Orange Park, FL 32073

**Wilkinson Elementary School**  
4965 County Rd. 218  
Middleburg, FL 32068

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## Columbia County

**Deep Creek Community Center**  
13108 Sniders Hwy.  
Islandton, SC 29929

**Fort White High School**  
17828 FL-47  
Fort White, FL 32038

**Richardson Community Center**  
255 N.E. Coach Anders Ln.  
Lake City, FL 32055

**Westside Elementary** - *Special needs*  
1956 County Rd. 252B  
Lake City, FL 32024

**Winfield Community Center & Recreation Area**  
1324 N.W. Winfield St.  
Lake City, FL 32055

## Dixie County

**Dixie County High School**  
17924 S.E. Hwy. 19  
Cross City, FL 32628

## Duval County

**Atlantic Coast High School** - *Special needs, pet friendly*  
9735 R. G. Skinner Pkwy.  
Jacksonville, FL 32256

**Chaffee Trail Elementary School**  
11400 Sam Caruso Way  
Jacksonville, FL 32221

**Landmark Middle School** - *Pet friendly*  
101 Kernan Blvd. N.  
Jacksonville, FL 32225

**Lavilla School of Arts**  
5100 Hood Rd.  
Jacksonville, FL 32257

**Legends Community Center**  
4130 Soutel Dr.  
Jacksonville, FL 32208

## Gadsden County

**Gadsden County High School** - *Special needs, pet friendly*  
27001 Blue Star Hwy.  
Havana, FL 32333

**West Gadsden Middle School**  
200 Providence Rd.  
Quincy, FL 32351

## Gilchrist County

**Bell High School Gym** - *Special needs, pet friendly*  
930 S. Main St.  
Bell, FL 32619

**Trenton Elementary School**  
1350 S.W. State Rd. 26  
Trenton, FL 32693

## Gulf County

**Honeyville Community Center**  
240 Honeyville Park Dr.  
Wewahitchka, FL 32465

## Hamilton County

**Hamilton County High School**  
5683 US-129  
Jasper, FL 32052

## Hernando County

**West Hernando Middle School** - *Pet friendly*  
14325 Ken Austin Pkwy.  
Brooksville, FL 34614

## Hillsborough County

**Burnett Middle School** - *Pet friendly*  
1010 N. Kingsway Rd.  
Seffner, FL 33584

**Durant High School** - *Pet friendly*  
4748 Cougar Path  
Plant City, FL 33567

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**Erwin Technical College** - *Special needs only, pet friendly*  
2010 E. Hillsborough Ave.  
Tampa, FL 33610

**Middleton High School** - *Pet friendly*  
4801 N. 22nd St.  
Tampa, FL 33610

**Reddick Elementary School**  
325 W. Lake Dr.  
Wimauma, FL 33598

**Sickles High School** - *Pet friendly*  
7950 Gunn Hwy.  
Tampa, FL 33626

## Jackson County

**Marianna High School**  
3546 Caverns Rd.  
Marianna, FL 32448

## Jefferson County

**Jefferson K-12 School**  
50 David Rd.  
Monticello, FL 32344

## Leon County

**Al Lawson Center**  
1800 Wahnish Way  
Tallahassee, FL 32310

**Fairview Middle School**  
3415 Zillah St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32305

**Fort Braden School** - *Pet friendly*  
15100 Blountstown Hwy.  
Tallahassee, FL 32310

**Godby High School** - *Pet friendly*  
1717 W. Tharpe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32304

**Lawton Chiles High School** - *Pet friendly*  
7200 Lawton Chiles Ln.  
Tallahassee, FL 32312

**Leon High School**  
550 E. Tennessee St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

**Lincoln High School** - *Pet friendly*  
3838 Trojan Trail  
Tallahassee, FL 32311

**SAIL High School** - *Pet friendly*  
2006 Jackson Bluff Rd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32304

## Madison County

**Madison County Central School**  
2093 W. US-90  
Madison, FL 32340

## Manatee County

**Buffalo Creek Middle School**  
7320 69th St. E.  
Palmetto, FL 34221

**Lee Middle School**  
4000 53rd Ave. W.  
Bradenton, FL 34210

**Nolan Middle School** - *Special needs, pet friendly*  
6615 Greenbrook Blvd.  
Bradenton, FL 34203

## Orange County

**West Orange Rec Center/Magic Gym** - *Special needs*  
309 S West Point Rd.  
Winter Garden, FL 34787

## Pasco County

**Centennial Middle School**  
38505 Centennial Rd.  
Dade City, FL 33525

**Fasano Regional Shelter** - *Special needs, pet friendly*  
11611 Denton Ave.  
Hudson, FL 34667

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**Fivay High School** - *Pet friendly*  
12115 Chicago Ave.  
Hudson, FL 34669

**River Ridge Middle and High Schools** - *Pet friendly*  
11646 Town Center Rd.  
New Port Richey, FL 34654

**Sunlake High School** - *Pet friendly*  
3023 Sunlake Blvd.  
Land O' Lakes, FL 34638

**Wiregrass Ranch High School**  
- *Special needs, pet friendly*  
2909 Mansfield Blvd.  
Wesley Chapel, FL 33543

## Pinellas County

**Gibbs High School** - *Pet friendly*  
850 34th St. S.  
St. Petersburg, FL 33771

**John Hopkins Middle School** - *Special needs*  
701 16th St. S.  
St Petersburg, FL 33705

**Largo High School** - *Pet friendly*  
410 Missouri Ave.  
Largo, FL 33770

**Lealman Innovation Intermediate School**  
4900 28th St. N.  
St Petersburg, FL 33714

**Palm Harbor University High School** - *Special needs*  
1900 Omaha St.  
Palm Harbor, FL 34683

## Putnam County

**Browning Pearce Elementary**  
100 Bear Blvd.  
San Mateo, FL 32187

**Middleton Burney Elementary School**  
1020 Huntington Rd.  
Crescent City, FL 32112

**Ochwilla Elementary School**  
299 N. SR 21  
Hawthorne, FL 32640

## Sarasota County

**Atwater Elementary** - *Pet friendly*  
4701 Huntsville Ave.  
North Port, FL 34288

**Booker High School** - *Pet friendly*  
3201 N. Orange Ave.  
Sarasota, FL 34234

**Brookside Middle School** - *Pet friendly*  
3636 S. Shade Ave.  
Sarasota, FL 34239

**Fruitville Elementary** - *Pet friendly*  
601 Honore Ave.  
Sarasota, FL 34323

**Gulf Gate Elementary School** - *Pet friendly*  
6500 S. Lockwood Ridge Rd.  
Sarasota, FL 34231

**Heron Creek Middle School** - *Pet friendly*  
6501 W. Price Blvd.  
North Port, FL 34286

**North Port High School** - *Pet friendly*  
6440 W. Price Blvd.  
North Port, FL 34286

**Philippi Shores Elementary**  
4747 S. Tamiami Trail  
Sarasota, FL 34231

**Riverview High School**  
1 Ram Way  
Sarasota, FL 34231

**Southside Elementary School** - *Pet friendly*  
1901 Webber St.  
Sarasota, FL 34239

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**Taylor Ranch Elementary** - *Pet friendly*  
2500 Taylor Ranch Trail  
Venice, FL 34293

**Woodland Middle School** - *Pet friendly*  
2700 Panacea Blvd.  
North Port, FL 34289

## St. Johns County

**Soloman Calhoun Center**  
1300 Duval St.  
St Augustine, FL 32084

## Sumter County

**Wildwood Community Center**  
- *Special needs, pet friendly*  
6500 CR 139  
Wildwood, FL 34785

## Suwanee County

**Branford Elementary School**  
26801 FL-247  
Branford, FL 32008

**Suwanee Pineview Elementary School**  
1748 Ohio Ave. S.  
Live Oak, FL 32064

## Walton County

**DeFuniak Springs Community Center**  
361 N. 10 St.  
Defuniak Springs, FL 32433

## Georgia

### Camden County

**PSA Recreation Center**  
1050 Wildcat Dr.  
Kingsland, GA 31548

### Coffee County

**Central Square Complex**  
216 S. Madison Ave.  
Douglas, GA 31533

## Colquitt County

**Spence Field Recreation Center**  
290 Harper Rd.  
Moultrie, GA 31788

## Cook County

**Cook County High School**  
9900 GA 37  
Adel, GA 31620

## Decatur County

**Jones Wheat Elementary School**  
1401 E. Shotwell St.  
Bainbridge, GA 39819

## Dougherty County

**Albany Civic Center**  
100 W. Oglethorpe Blvd.  
Albany, GA 31701

## Lowndes County

**Park Avenue Church**  
100 E. Park Ave.  
Valdosta, GA 31602

## Miller County

**Colquitt First Baptist Church**  
351 E. Pine St.  
Colquitt, GA 39837

## Monroe County

**High Falls-Station 2** - *Pet friendly (in crate or kennel)*  
42 Towaliga River Dr.  
Jackson, GA 30233

**Monroe County Recreation Department**  
100 Dan Pitts Dr.  
Forsyth, GA 31029

**New Providence Baptist Church**  
260 Hwy. 41 S.  
Forsyth, GA 30204

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## Newton County

**Cousins Middle School**  
8187 Carlton Trail NW  
Covington, GA 30014

## Seminole County

**Spring Creek Baptist Church**  
2635 GA-253  
Donalsonville, GA 39845

**First Baptist Church of Donalsonville**  
409 S. Woolfork Ave.  
Donalsonville, GA 39845

**Oakview Church of God**  
3595 Oakview Church Post Rd.  
Donalsonville, GA 39845

## Thomas County

**Cross Creek Elementary**  
324 Clark Rd.  
Thomasville, GA 31757

**Ochlocknee Baptist Church**  
3096 E. Railroad St.  
Ochlocknee, GA 31773

## North Carolina

### Avery County

**Avery County Rock Gym**  
185 Shady St.  
Newland, NC 28657

### Buncombe County

**Swannanoa First Baptist Church**  
503 Park St.  
Swannanoa, NC 28778

## Henderson County

**Athletics and Activities Center**  
708 S. Grove St.  
Hendersonville, NC 28792

## McDowell County

**Glenwood Baptist Church**  
155 Glenwood Baptist Church Rd.  
Marion, NC 28752

## Mecklenburg County

**Cooks Memorial Presbyterian Church**  
3413 Mount Holly-Huntersville Rd.  
Charlotte, NC 28216

## Tennessee

### Johnson County

**First Christian Church**  
401 W. Main St.  
Mountain City, TN 37683

*\* Please note that shelter availability is continuously changing as recovery efforts progress.*

For the most up-to-date shelter information, please call 2-1-1 or visit

<https://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html>

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## Locating and Receiving Aid

As Hurricane Helene continues to intensify, we've compiled a list of online resources to help you find and access essential aid. These organizations are dedicated to supporting those affected by the disaster. To access the websites, please click on the links. For more detailed information, we recommend reaching out to these organizations directly.

### National Hurricane Center

**Website:** [www.nhc.noaa.gov/#Helene](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/#Helene)

- View the latest weather information on Hurricane Helene.

### PowerOutage.us

- View power outages in real time.

**Alabama:** [poweroutage.us/area/state/alabama](http://poweroutage.us/area/state/alabama)

**Florida:** [poweroutage.us/area/state/florida](http://poweroutage.us/area/state/florida)

**Georgia:** [poweroutage.us/area/state/georgia](http://poweroutage.us/area/state/georgia)

**Kentucky:** [poweroutage.us/area/state/kentucky](http://poweroutage.us/area/state/kentucky)

**North Carolina:** [poweroutage.us/area/state/north%20carolina](http://poweroutage.us/area/state/north%20carolina)

**South Carolina:** [poweroutage.us/area/state/south%20carolina](http://poweroutage.us/area/state/south%20carolina)

**Tennessee:** [poweroutage.us/area/state/tennessee](http://poweroutage.us/area/state/tennessee)

### Road Closures and Evacuations

- Find the latest road conditions and up-to-date travel-related information.

**Alabama:** [algotraffic.com](http://algotraffic.com)

**Florida:** [www.fl511.com](http://www.fl511.com)

**Georgia:** [www.511ga.org](http://www.511ga.org)

**Kentucky:** [goky.ky.gov](http://goky.ky.gov)

**North Carolina:** [drivenc.gov](http://drivenc.gov)

**South Carolina:** [www.511sc.org](http://www.511sc.org)

**Tennessee:** [smartway.tn.gov/traffic](http://smartway.tn.gov/traffic)

### GasBuddy - Outage Tracker

**Website:** [tracker.gasbuddy.com](http://tracker.gasbuddy.com)

- Find gas stations that have power and fuel during a natural disaster.

### American Red Cross - Find Open Shelters

**Website:** [www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html](http://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html)

- Search for an emergency shelter in your area and learn [what to bring](#) to a shelter.

### American Red Cross Reunification

**Website:** [www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/contact-and-locate-loved-ones.html](http://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/contact-and-locate-loved-ones.html)

### Disaster Assistance

**Website:** [www.disasterassistance.gov](http://www.disasterassistance.gov)

- Provides resources to help you learn how to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.

### 2-1-1

**Dial:** 2-1-1

**Website:** [www.211.org/about-us/your-local-211](http://www.211.org/about-us/your-local-211)

- United Way offers access to many services in times of crisis as well as for day-to-day needs. It is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, even during disasters. Please call if you are seeking resources such as clothing, food, or programs for your family.

### Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

**Phone:** 1-800-621-3362

**Website:** [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

- Information on preparing for and recovering from disaster. Find local resources and shelters, plus call or apply for assistance online.

### FEMA App

- The FEMA app is available for both Android and iOS and is free to use and download. You can download the FEMA app on [Google Play](#) and on the [Apple App Store](#). You can also download the app via text messaging. On an Android device, text ANDROID to 43362; on an Apple Device, text APPLE to 43362.

### FEMA Text Message Program

- To locate an open emergency shelter, text\* SHELTER and a ZIP code to 43362.
- To locate an open Disaster Recovery Center, text DRC and a ZIP code to 43362 or visit the [DRC Locator](#) online.

*\*Please note that standard message and data rates apply.*

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## The Salvation Army USA

**Website:** [www.salvationarmyusa.org](http://www.salvationarmyusa.org)

- Offers disaster relief services. [Find](#) your local Salvation Army location.

## Local Food Bank Providers

- Find your local food bank for food assistance in your area.

**Alabama:** [feedingalabama.org/alabama-food-bank-network](http://feedingalabama.org/alabama-food-bank-network)

**Florida:** [www.feedingflorida.org/feeding-florida/florida-food-banks](http://www.feedingflorida.org/feeding-florida/florida-food-banks)

**Georgia:** [feedinggeorgia.org/find-your-food-bank/](http://feedinggeorgia.org/find-your-food-bank/)

**Kentucky:** [feedingky.org/find-help](http://feedingky.org/find-help)

**North & South Carolina:** [feedingthecarolinas.org/find-food](http://feedingthecarolinas.org/find-food)

**Tennessee:** [www.feedingamerica.org/hunger-in-america/tennessee](http://www.feedingamerica.org/hunger-in-america/tennessee)

## Division of Emergency Management

- Check road conditions, report damage, and navigate tropical weather resources.

**Alabama:** [ema.alabama.gov](http://ema.alabama.gov)

**Florida:** [www.floridadisaster.org](http://www.floridadisaster.org)

**Georgia:** [gema.georgia.gov](http://gema.georgia.gov)

**Kentucky:** [kyem.ky.gov](http://kyem.ky.gov)

**North Carolina:** [www.ncdps.gov/our-organization/emergency-management](http://www.ncdps.gov/our-organization/emergency-management)

**South Carolina:** [www.scemd.org](http://www.scemd.org)

**Tennessee:** [www.tn.gov/tema.html](http://www.tn.gov/tema.html)

## Department of Insurance

- Find recovery tips, contact information for your insurance company, or help with questions about how to file a claim.

**Alabama:** [www.aldoi.gov](http://www.aldoi.gov)

**Florida:** [flor.com](http://flor.com)

**Georgia:** [oci.georgia.gov](http://oci.georgia.gov)

**Kentucky:** [insurance.ky.gov](http://insurance.ky.gov)

**North Carolina:** [www.ncdoi.gov](http://www.ncdoi.gov)

**South Carolina:** [www.doi.sc.gov](http://www.doi.sc.gov)

**Tennessee:** [www.tn.gov/commerce](http://www.tn.gov/commerce)

## Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

- TANF provides cash payments to help qualifying families pay for food, clothing, housing, and other essentials.

**Alabama:** [dhr.alabama.gov/family-assistance](http://dhr.alabama.gov/family-assistance)

**Florida:** [www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/temporary-cash-assistance](http://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/temporary-cash-assistance)

**Georgia:** [dfcs.georgia.gov/services/temporary-assistance-needy-families](http://dfcs.georgia.gov/services/temporary-assistance-needy-families)

**Kentucky:** [www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dcbs/dfs/fssb/Pages/ktap.aspx](http://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dcbs/dfs/fssb/Pages/ktap.aspx)

**North Carolina:** [www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/social-services/work-first-family-assistance](http://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/social-services/work-first-family-assistance)

**South Carolina:** [dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/tanf](http://dss.sc.gov/assistance-programs/tanf)

**Tennessee:** [www.tn.gov/humanservices/for-families/families-first-tanf.html](http://www.tn.gov/humanservices/for-families/families-first-tanf.html)

## Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP)

**Website:** [www.fns.usda.gov/disaster/disaster-d-snap](http://www.fns.usda.gov/disaster/disaster-d-snap)

- D-SNAP is a federal program intended to provide short-term relief to buy food for qualifying disaster victims.

## USA.gov

**Website:** [www.usa.gov](http://www.usa.gov)

- Locate and understand government benefits, programs, and information – including assistance finding [housing](#) and [financial assistance](#) after a disaster.

## National Council on Aging (NCOA) - Disaster Assistance for Older Adults

**Website:** [www.ncoa.org/older-adults/benefits/disaster-assistance](http://www.ncoa.org/older-adults/benefits/disaster-assistance)

- Find resources that can help immediately following a disaster to point both older adults and caregivers toward help with getting food, shelter, tax relief, and more.

## Animal Humane Society - After the emergency

**Website:** [www.humanesociety.org/resources/pet-disaster-preparedness#after](http://www.humanesociety.org/resources/pet-disaster-preparedness#after)

- Information and tips on how to care for pets after a disaster.

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## **Disaster Distress Helpline**

**Call or text:** 1-800-985-5990

**Website:** [www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline](http://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline)

- Crisis counseling and support for anyone experiencing emotional distress related to natural or human-caused disasters.

## **The National Child Traumatic Stress Network**

**Phone:** 1-800-621-3362

**Website:** [www.nctsn.org/what-is-child-trauma/trauma-types/disasters](http://www.nctsn.org/what-is-child-trauma/trauma-types/disasters)

- Information on how to help children and families cope with natural disasters and extreme weather events.

## **Additional emotional support resources**

### **Recovering Emotionally After a Disaster**

[www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/recovering-emotionally.html](http://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/recovering-emotionally.html)

### **Taking Care of Your Emotional Health**

[emergency.cdc.gov/coping/selfcare.asp](http://emergency.cdc.gov/coping/selfcare.asp)

### **Helping Your Child Cope with a Disaster**

[www.cdc.gov/childrenindisasters/children-disaster-help.html](http://www.cdc.gov/childrenindisasters/children-disaster-help.html)

### **Older Adults and Disasters**

[www.apa.org/pi/aging/resources/caregivers-disasters.pdf](http://www.apa.org/pi/aging/resources/caregivers-disasters.pdf)

### **People with Disabilities – Supporting Mental Health**

[www.cdc.gov/disability-emergency-preparedness/people-with-disabilities/supporting-mental-health.html](http://www.cdc.gov/disability-emergency-preparedness/people-with-disabilities/supporting-mental-health.html)