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# A guide to City of Worcester services for new residents affected by hurricanes

Here in Worcester, we're proud to come together—local non-profit organizations, our faith-based community, local and state government, and businesses—caring and collaborating to assist individuals and families who have been displaced by natural disaster in the journey to attain self-sufficiency.

On behalf of our caring community, welcome to Worcester!



# Step 1.

# **Register with FEMA**

FEMA Individual Assistance Program provides disaster survivors with information, support, services, and a way to access and apply for disaster assistance.

To apply, visit: www.disasterassistance.gov Need help with a FEMA application?

The FEMA Helpline is available seven days a week, 7 a.m. – 11 p.m.

FEMA Helpline: 1-800-621-FEMA (1-800-621-3362)

TYY: 1-800-462-7585

711 or Video Relay Service (VRS): 1-800-621-3362

# Step 2.

# **Register with Massachusetts**

Mass 211 responds immediately during times of crisis, directing callers to the most appropriate services for their needs. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts runs the Department of Transitional Assistance at 1010 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, and administers the Family Shelter system. To register:

- Mass 211 Dial 211.
   If you're unable to reach 2-1-1 via your telephone/cellphone, please call 1-877-211-MASS
  - Mass 211 TYY- 1-508-370-4890

# Step 3.

## **Register with Centro**

Centro will conduct an intake and needs assessment, and develop a care plan for you and/or your family. Based on this care plan, Centro will either serve the family and/or refer them to the appropriate provider or community partner for assistance.

Phone: 508-798-1000Email: info@centroinc.org

Web: www.centroinc.org

# **Programs and Services**



## **Housing Support**

A limited number of programs are available to help displaced persons access housing. Rules vary for private or public housing. For more information, contact CENTRO:

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### **Worcester Public Schools**

If you need to register a child (children) in school, you may do so at the Worcester Public Schools Parent Information Welcome Center. A registration specialist will help you every step of the way. Multi-lingual support is available.

768 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01608
 Monday – Friday: 8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
 508-799-3193 / 508-799-3299
 www.worcesterschools.org



### **Health Care Questions**

Free, confidential, multi-lingual health care and referral services are available at the following locations:

- Family Health Center of Worcester, Inc.
   26 Queen Street Worcester, MA 01610
   508-860-7700 / TTY 508-860-7750
- Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center
   19 Tacoma Street, Worcester, MA, 01605
   508-852-1805 / info@kennedychc.org



# **Veterans Support**

Financial assistance is provided to veterans and their families displaced by a natural disaster who have lived in Massachusetts for longer than one day.

Veterans Inc.
 Address: 69 Grove Street, Worcester, MA 01605
 800-482-2565 / www.veteransinc.org