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## **FEMA'S GEORGIA REBUILDING SPECIALISTS HEAD TO A NEW HOME DEPOT NEAR YOU**

**ATLANTA** – Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mitigation specialists will be providing Georgians with disaster-resistance advice as they move to new outreach locations throughout disaster-impacted counties.

Beginning at 8 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 31, the rebuilding specialists will be opening and staffing a new informational display at:

**The Home Depot**  
**1000 Thornton Rd.**  
**Lithia Springs, GA 30122**

The specialists will be on hand during the following hours:  
Saturday, Oct. 31 through Tuesday, Nov. 3: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Wednesday, Nov. 4: Informational materials only  
Thursday, Nov. 5: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Friday, Nov. 6: 8 a.m. to noon

FEMA mitigation specialists have been making the rounds at home improvement stores throughout disaster-stricken communities to provide residents with important information on ways to repair or improve their homes to reduce or prevent future disaster damages.

Those techniques include such ideas as: reducing mold and mildew, protecting electrical systems, furnaces, and other appliances; reinforcing structures against high winds and flooding; safeguarding valuables; and securing other important personal property. Information on flood insurance also is available.

The information, which includes reference booklets, is free and provided in both English and Spanish. No registration is required. There is no limit on the number of times someone can visit with a specialist or on the number of publications they can have.

The outreach teams and displays are planning to set up in other Home Depot stores in the next few weeks.

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*FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.*

*Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800-462-7585.*

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