

**Important Information and Contacts for Victims of Hurricane Irene  
As of August 31, 2011**

**VEMA (Vermont Emergency Management)**

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General Inquiries – 800-347-0488

Resource Info/Personal Assistance – Dial 211 to report all personal damage

Non-life threatening inquiries – 800-347-0488

Hazard Material Incident – 800-641-5005:

**NeighborWorks of Western Vermont (Help for Homes) – 802-438-2303 X 210**

**FEMA – 800-621-3362**

No Individual assistance available at this time

No public assistance available at this time (updated every 24 hours)

[www.DisasterAssistance.gov](http://www.DisasterAssistance.gov) – 800-621-3362

**Governor Shumlin** – 802-828-3333 or [GovernorVT@state.vt.us](mailto:GovernorVT@state.vt.us)

**VEDA (VT Economic Development Authority) Emergency assistance for businesses**

[www.veda.org](http://www.veda.org)

802-828-5627

[info@veda.org](mailto:info@veda.org)

**Businesses** should also call Agency of Commerce & Community Development (ACCD)

802-828-3211 to report damage which will be collected by VEM & FEMA

**Farms** contact USDA Farm Service Agency <http://www.offices.sc.egov.usda.gov> and

Natural Resources Conservation Services <http://www.vt.nrcs.usda.gov>

Also: Vermont Farm Bureau @ 802-434-5646 and

NOFA Vermont @ 802-434-4122

Farmers with loss of crops should contact insurance agent as well as USDA Farm Service Agency @ 802-658-2803 and

Rutland Area Farm & Food – 802-287-8339 or [pnmrncd@gmail.com](mailto:pnmrncd@gmail.com)

**Fuel Tanks** – If you find one on your property or one is floating contact VT Fuel Dealers Association at 802-223-7750 or [info@vermontfuel.com](mailto:info@vermontfuel.com)

Information regarding road closures call 511 or [www.511vt.com](http://www.511vt.com)

September 30 is now the new deadline for the following:

- Property Tax Adjustment Claim (HS-145 with HI-144)
- Homestead Declaration (HS-131)
- Renter Rebate Claim (PR-141 with HI-144)
- Current Use Application

Governor Peter Shumlin and Administration Secretary Jeb Spaulding announced on August 30, 2011 that despite flood-related damage from Hurricane Irene, state-funded payments including Reach-Up Benefits and retirement will be made without interruption.

Dept. for Children & Families, Economic Services Division central office sustained significant flood damage that impacted computer networks and benefits processing, possibly delaying action on new applications and changes.

Existing recipients: the following benefits will be available on 9/1 – 3SquaresVT, all Reach-Up Benefits. Child Support payments went out as planned. Dept. of Labor unemployment insurance payments will be sent on schedule.

Vermonters concerned about receiving checks through the mail can call the Retirement Division of the State Treasurer's Office at 800-642-3191 or 802-828-2305; for human Services payments, call 802-828-2301 and press 5 followed by 4 (leave a message if you are calling after business hours; staff is checking the message line throughout the evening to handle emergencies).