





Press Release

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Housing needed for Hurricane Florence victims

PENDER COUNTY – The Pender County Housing Authority (PCHA) is seeking property owners and property managers to rent units to help families who lost homes in due to Florence. PCHA is glad to act as a clearing house for properties in the Pender County area. Landlords are also encouraged to list available units on www.nchousingsearch.org.

"Hurricane Florence displaced many families," said Judith Herring, Pender County Housing director. "Before Hurricane Florence Pender County faced a shortage of affordable housing. The storm has exacerbated the great need for housing."

Owners and property managers can send information on available units to housinginfo@pendercountync.gov.

"Please include the address of the unit, number of bedrooms, number of bathrooms, and the utilities the tenant would be responsible for paying," said Herring. "Please also include a date when the unit will be available for lease and the rent desired. Landlords who can only offer limited term rentals of less than 12 months should be sure to include that information in the email."

Many Pender County residents are desperate for a safe place to live. Some will need temporary housing while their homes are being repaired and some will need permanent rental housing for at least 12 months. We encourage landlords in high cost areas such as Hampstead, Rocky Point and Surf City to consider making rental units available to Pender County families at a reasonable cost.

"Keeping families in Pender County and keeping children in their schools is so important," said Herring.

Watch Pender County's website at www.pendercountync.gov or Pender County's Facebook page for storm recovery updates. Pender County Emergency Management will post updates on the Facebook page at facebook.com/penderem and on the website http://www.penderem.com. If you need assistance call the EM office at 910- 259-1210.

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