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GASTON COUNTY LAUNCHES PRIVATE PROPERTY DEBRIS REMOVAL PROGRAM; APPLICATION CENTER NOW OPEN

GASTONIA, N.C. – Gaston County will begin accepting applications on May 27, 2025, for debris removal through the Private Property Debris Removal (PPDR) program as part of Hurricane Helene relief efforts. This program helps Gaston County property owners—both in cities and unincorporated areas—by removing eligible disaster debris or demolishing unsafe, unrecoverable structures at no cost.

Who can apply and how?

The PPDR program is available to residential and small commercial property owners in Gaston County.

- Apply in person: Stop by Room A101 in the Citizens Resource Center at 1303 Dallas Cherryville Highway, Dallas, NC 28034. Staff are available Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM to assist with applications. All individuals listed on the property deed must be present and provide valid photo identification. Please bring any trust documents, if applicable.
- Residents can call 336-234-1217 with questions.

What type of debris is eligible for removal?

- Hazardous limbs, trees, or other mixed debris caused by disasters near maintained areas
- Demolition of unsafe structures, including concrete slabs

What type of debris is not eligible for removal?

- Debris on vacant lots or on unimproved, unused, or unmaintained areas of the property.
- Land used primarily for agricultural purposes, such as crops or livestock.

What do I need to apply?

- Photo ID and signature for everyone on the property deed
- Trust documents, if applicable

“We’re pleased to be able to offer our residents access to this important program,” says Justin Sellers, Division Chief for the Gaston County Office of Emergency Management and Fire Services. “If someone thinks they have qualifying debris from Hurricane Helene, we encourage them to stop by the application center or call (336) 234-1217 with questions.”

Gaston County remains committed to helping residents recover from Hurricane Helene by providing essential debris removal and demolition services.

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