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## **ORLANDO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT MULTI-AGENCY RESOURCE CENTER MOVING INTO COMMUNITY**

**Orlando, FL** – The Florida Division of Emergency Management is currently working with our local, state and federal partners to transition the Orlando International Airport (MCO) Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC) to a location within the community. Many of the individuals affected by Hurricane Maria travelling to Florida through MCO are leaving the airport upon arrival, only to return later to access the services offered by the MARC. To best serve those affected by the Hurricane Maria's devastating impacts, the Division and our partners will transition this center to a community location in Orange County, where those displaced by the storm will have better access to the many services available to them via state, federal and non-governmental organizations.

***Beginning January 2<sup>nd</sup>, individuals impacted by Hurricane Maria can seek assistance at:***

**6490 Hazeltine Drive**

**Suite 170**

**Orlando, FL 32822**

**Operating hours will be Monday through Friday, 9:00AM to 5:00PM**

This facility is on the Lynx Bus Route.

At the direction of Governor Scott, Multi-Agency Resource Centers (MARC) have opened at Orlando International Airport and Miami International Airport (MIA) for Puerto Rican families displaced by Hurricane Maria. These centers are open weekdays from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM (MCO) and 9:00 AM until 7:00 PM (MIA). Since October 3<sup>rd</sup>, these centers have served more than 34,000 individuals affected by Hurricane Maria.

Division partners at these sites include the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Children and Families, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Department of Health, Department of Economic Opportunity, American Red Cross and Catholic Charities (Orlando International Airport). They offer services such as help with registering for FEMA Individual Assistance, crisis counseling, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) information, assistance with unaccompanied minors and agency social services, assistance with animal services, medical attention and health concerns, employment information and training services, food and water resources, language guidance and spiritual care.

The community MARC will offer the same services that are currently available at the airport location, though at a dedicated facility with increased accessibility for those seeking assistance.

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