



**JANUARY 2025**

# THE SITUATION REPORT

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Greenville County Emergency  
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# STAFF SPOTLIGHT

## MARQUISE SCOTT



Meet our new Radio Technician,  
Marquise Scott.

Marquise accepted the position of Radio Technician for Greenville County Emergency Management in December 2024. Marquise has always had a passion for electronics and technology. His passion has led him to wonderful job opportunities. Coming up in the age of computers, he quickly found himself intrigued with building and repairing PC's.

Marquise spent six years building and repairing computers at Computer Direct Outlet and learned so much while he was there, leading him to enroll at ECPI College of Technology where he earned a Degree in

IT/Networking. Soon after, he took a position at Diversified Electronics doing installs in Emergency Vehicles and learning about the importance of two-way radios. Having a strong networking background allowed him to work on 911 dispatching consoles which were all PC interfaced and required networking for operability. He spent 20 years in this career field and achieved quite a few accolades along the way. After a short break pursuing his Real Estate license and flipping a few homes, Marquise realized that he had more down time than he needed, and began to miss the feeling of doing something so important with emergency services. He desired to be back in the field and was given the opportunity to join the Emergency Management team in his home town of Greenville County as a 911 Radio Technician. He once again feels the excitement of doing meaningful work, and is glad to be part of an amazing team!

# HELENE RECOVERY UPDATE

*Deadline*

THE DEADLINE TO  
APPLY FOR FEMA  
INDIVIDUAL  
ASSISTANCE (IA) IS  
NOW JANUARY 28,  
2025.

**APPLY NOW**



THE GREENVILLE BUSINESS RECOVERY CENTER (BRC) WILL  
REMAIN OPEN THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2025.



HELENE SURVIVORS NEEDING ASSISTANCE FOR  
ADDRESSING HOUSING REPAIRS AND OTHER NEEDS  
CAN CALL THE DISASTER CASE MANAGEMENT PHONE  
LINE AT (803) 898-2511

# HELENE AFTER ACTION REVIEW

On December 16th 2024, Greenville County Emergency Management held a county-wide After Action Review (AAR) for Tropical Storm Helene. Representatives from the county who worked field operations and staffed the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) during Helene came together to identify strengths to be maintained and built upon, as well as identifying potential areas of improvement for response and recovery operations. Once strengths and areas of improvement were identified, EOC personnel discussed root causes of potential weaknesses and developed actionable improvement recommendations. AARs encourage a culture of continuous improvement by fostering open discussion and reflection on operations, enabling staff to learn from their experiences and make adjustments for future operations.



GCEM DEPUTY DIRECTOR PIERCE WOMACK  
ADDRESSES AAR ATTENDEES DURING AAR



CLEMSON UNIVERSITY EM DIRECTOR, SARAH  
CUSTER FACILITATES COUNTY AAR



GREENVILLE COUNTY AAR PARTICIPANTS



# LEO SANTA TOY DRIVE

LEO Santa Toy Drive is a collaborative effort by first responders, including law enforcement officers, firefighters, and emergency personnel, who volunteer their off-duty time to provide gifts donated by the local community. Each holiday season, the toy drive focuses on bringing joy to families in low-income neighborhoods and those with special needs circumstances. This mission is carried out through partnerships with emergency response agencies, schools, and community or faith-based organizations to ensure the holiday spirit reaches those in need.

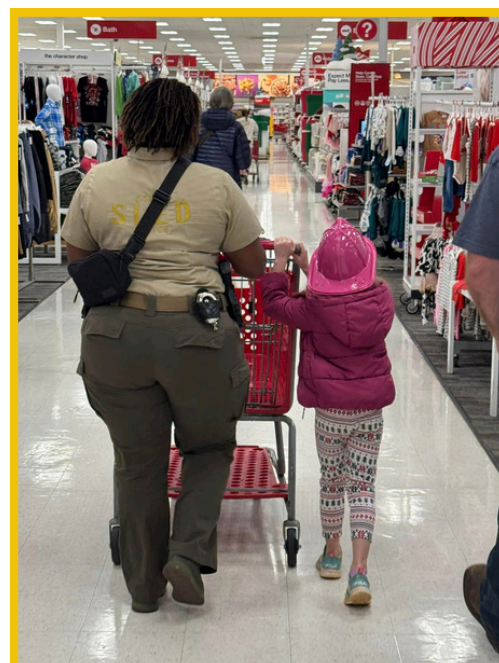


**TOY SORTING AT THE LEO SANTA WAREHOUSE**





**This year, LEO Santa Toy Drive set a new record by providing gifts to 6,525 children and offering hope to five children who lost their home in a fire!**



**LEO SANTA TOY DRIVE DELIVERY**





# SEVERE WINTER WEATHER

in South Carolina



Are you prepared for a  
major winter storm?

## Inside

- Know about Ice and Snow
- Stay Connected
- Emergency Information
- Power Pointers
- Winter Checklists and more...

A winter weather resource guide from the  
South Carolina Emergency Management Division  
and the State Emergency Response Team.

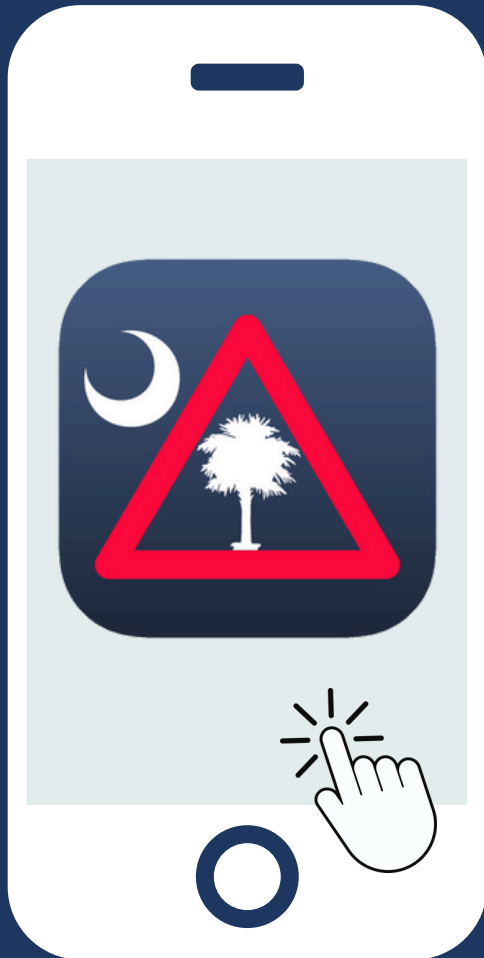


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- LOCATE THE NEAREST OPEN EMERGENCY SHELTERS.
- KEEP TRACK OF YOUR DISASTER SUPPLIES LIST.
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- SHARE YOUR LOCATION WITH EMERGENCY CONTACTS.

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# TRAINING SPOTLIGHT

**Course Name:** Response to Radiological Nuclear WMD Incidents (PER-354)

**When:** January 28-30, 2025

**Time:** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Location:** Parker Fire District Training Facility-117 Smythe St.  
Greenville, SC 29611

[Register Here](#)

**Course Name:** ICS 300 Intermediate ICS (ICS 300)

**When:** February 25-27, 2025

**Time:** 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Location:** Greenville County Emergency Management-225 S. Pleasantburg  
Dr. Greenville, SC 29607

[Register Here](#)

**Course Name:** Integration of Cybersecurity Personnel into the EOC for Cyber  
Incidents (MGT 456)

**When:** March 18-20, 2025

**Time:** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Location:** Greenville County Emergency Management-225 S. Pleasantburg  
Dr. Greenville, SC 29607

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