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Tropical Storm Debby Update #3

Charleston County Council will hold an emergency meeting at 11 a.m., Monday, August 5, 2024, in Council Chambers, located at 4045 Bridge View Drive, to receive a situation update regarding Tropical Storm Debby and consider a series of emergency actions.

Citizens can stream the meeting live on the [county's YouTube channel](#). The meeting's agenda is attached.

Storm Closures and Cancellations:

All Charleston County Library branches and offices will close tomorrow for the duration of the storm. Book drops and automated material returns will also be closed until further notice. Patrons are asked to avoid leaving items outside the book drops.

Jury duty for the week of August 5, 2024, in the Charleston County Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions has been cancelled. All jurors are excused for the week and do not need to report.

All other Charleston County offices and facilities, including the Bees Ferry Landfill, Material Recovery Facility, and Convenience Centers, will remain open as long as conditions safely allow. Further announcements will be made as that status changes.

Current Forecast:

The storm system is forecast to reach the Charleston area Monday morning, bringing historic levels of rain and flooding throughout the week. According to the latest information from the National Weather Service, 20 to 30 inches of rain and strong tropical storm force winds are anticipated.

Tropical storm and storm surge warnings are both currently in effect for Charleston County.

Due to the anticipation of extreme and potentially prolonged flooding, residents in low-lying and flood-prone areas should consider relocating for the duration of storm, if possible.

Residents are also encouraged to check the storm drains near their homes and clear any obstructions ahead of the storm's onset.

County Resources and Preparations:

Charleston County will open the following parking garages at 8 a.m. tomorrow, Monday, August 5, for residents in low-lying areas to park their cars for free for the duration of the storm:

- 90 Cumberland Street
- 85 Queen Street

A general population and pet shelter of last resort will open at the Charleston County Sheriff's Administration Building (3841 Leeds Ave) at 8 a.m. tomorrow and will remain open for the duration of the storm. Individuals can access the shelter via normal CARTA routes.

The Community Information Line will be staffed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. tomorrow to provide updates and answer questions regarding the storm.

- English: (843) 746-3900
- Spanish: (843) 746-3909

Additional Information:

Residents are encouraged to follow Charleston County Government on social media, download the [2024 Hurricane Guide](#), and sign up for the [Citizen's Alert System](#).

For the most accurate and up-to-date weather forecasts, residents should stay tuned to the [National Hurricane Center](#) and [National Weather Service Charleston](#) websites, as well as local media and [SCEMD's SC Emergency Manager app](#).

In keeping with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), those needing assistance should contact Charleston County at (843) 202-6917 during regular business hours.

