

# CCR&R Parent/Provider Newsletter- October 2018



## CCR&R Reflections

This last month surely brought many challenges to all of us in Eastern North Carolina. Most of you are aware of the devastation our area endured due to Hurricane Florence. We know that many families have lost their homes, are misplaced, and still in shelters. Many of our restaurants and businesses are still closed. Public schools are damaged and still being assessed. Many of our Childcare Centers and Family Childcare Homes were severely damaged or flooded. Some of these have not re-opened yet.

In the midst of the sadness, we can begin to see a glimpse of sunlight for those who are hurting. We, in Eastern North Carolina, have been blessed with an out pouring of kindness, love and generosity. We have been blessed to have volunteers from other states come in to help with search and rescue, clean up, and giving out much needed supplies to those who lost everything. We owe many thanks to our first responders and those helping to restore power to Eastern North Carolina. These people were out daily especially during the storm risking their lives for us. Please take time to thank them when possible.

Within the last couple of weeks, the out pouring of kindness has continued with our local businesses and churches handing out cleaning supplies, water, food, diapers, clothing and other necessities to our community and communities across Eastern North Carolina. This will continue as long as there is still a need. If you would like to volunteer or donate items, follow us on our Craven Smart Start Facebook page. We will continue to post information of places you can donate to, or volunteer.

Our Craven Smart Start Team, along with the State Consultants, has reached out to our Childcare Centers and Family Childcare Homes to assess damage and to offer help where needed. Craven Smart Start staff is involved with handing out needed supplies to the Craven County community at Mattress RX in James City, and Peace Counseling Center in New Bern on Trent Road. We have been spending time at the local shelter that is still open providing stories and fun interactive games to the children that are currently staying there. Reflecting back on the events of the last month, the one thing that stands out to me the most is that all of us in Eastern North Carolina will continue to stand together, rebuild, and help one another for as long as it takes. Craven County, as all counties affected, adopted the statement of #Craven County Strong. This, I believe, is so profound. We are stronger together, and it becomes more evident as each day passes. We live in such a beautiful area, with wonderful caring people. We are blessed.

Bonnie Gould  
CCR&R Director  
Craven Smart Start.

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## Resources for Families Affected by Hurricane Florence



### RECOVERY RESOURCES FOR HURRICANE FLORENCE VICTIMS

#### Call 211

Info about local resources for basic needs.

#### NC Department of Insurance

FREE "Insurance Camp"  
Tuesday, September 25, 9am-6pm  
Lowe's Home Improvement  
1400 Lowe's Blvd.  
[www.ncdoi.com](http://www.ncdoi.com)

#### Craven County Point of Distribution

(cleaning kits, water & MRE meals)  
8am-6pm  
Tabernacle Baptist Church, 616 Broad St.

#### Religious Community Services

(donate or pick up relief supplies)  
919 George St.  
(252)633-2767

#### Salvation Army

(donate or pick up relief supplies)  
1402 Rhem Ave  
(252)637-2277

#### Omega Center

(pick up relief supplies)  
822 Cedar Street, 10am-5pm daily

**Distress Hotline for Counseling & Support** (800)985-5990

#### City of New Bern Storm Debris Pickup

7am-7pm shifts seven days a week  
Please separate your debris into 3 piles:  
Household/construction debris  
Appliances  
Yard Waste

#### City of New Bern Trash Pickup

Trash pickup has resumed. Put your receptacle curbside on your scheduled pickup day. Extra bags will be picked up at no charge; no sticker required.

#### City of New Bern Recycling Pickup

Suspended until further notice.

#### City of New Bern Utility Office

606 Ft. Totten Drive, (252)639-2750  
Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm  
Late fees & delinquencies suspended until further notice; Shutoffs for nonpayment suspended until further notice

**City of New Bern**, (252)636-4000

[www.newbernnc.gov](http://www.newbernnc.gov)

**Craven County**, (252)636-6600

[www.cravencountync.gov](http://www.cravencountync.gov)

#### Craven County Solid Waste Convenience

Sites Open Saturday-Tuesday  
605 NC Hwy 55 East; 4001 Old Cherry Pt Rd  
& 135 Sanders Lane

#### Baptists on a Mission

(help cleaning up your damaged home)  
<https://baptistsonmission.org/>  
Right side, click on "Homeowner Assistance"  
(800)395-5102, ext. 5596

#### Samaritan's Purse International Relief

(help cleaning up your damaged home)  
Port City Community Church, 2840 Neuse Blvd.  
(252)725-5802

Email: [disasterresponse3@Samaritan.org](mailto:disasterresponse3@Samaritan.org)

#### Want to volunteer for Samaritan's Purse?

Fill out volunteer form at [www.samaritanpurse.org](http://www.samaritanpurse.org)  
Click on "Get Involved," then "US Disaster Relief"  
(252)725-5616

#### Volunteer Reception Center

(where volunteers register to help)  
408 Hancock St (old firemen's museum)  
Sunday-Saturday, 7:30am-5pm  
(910)550-2543

#### Small Business Administration (SBA)

(disaster assistance loans)  
Centenary Methodist Church, 319 New St  
<https://disasterloan.sba.gov>  
(800)659-2955 to have an application mailed to you

#### Unemployment Benefits for Jobs Lost Due to Florence

[www.des.nc.gov](http://www.des.nc.gov), (866)795-8877  
Email: [des.dua@nccommerce.com](mailto:des.dua@nccommerce.com)

#### NC Small Business Disaster

#### Recovery Resource

<http://www.sbtcdc.org/hurricaneflorence/>

#### Temple Baptist Church

(hot meals served 3X a day)  
1500 Kingdom Way  
Courtesy of American Red Cross,  
Baptist Men's & Salvation Army

#### New Bern Preservation Foundation

(website full of helpful resources)  
[www.newbernpf.org](http://www.newbernpf.org)

#### FEMA – National Flood Insurance

Program [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

"Start the recovery process" link on homepage

Apply by phone: (800)621-FEMA

#### Food & Nutrition Services

(how to buy hot food w/ food & nutrition benefits) [www.ncdhhs.gov](http://www.ncdhhs.gov)

Click on "news" then "press releases"  
Scroll halfway down

(800)662-7030

## Havelock



**City of Havelock, North Carolina**

19 hrs · 🌐

Please contact (252) 463-7177 if you need information about debris collection, trash collection, curfew, food, water, supplies, FEMA/Red Cross, or general storm questions. If you have an emergency which requires assistance from the Fire Department or the Police Department, please dial 911.

## Academics– Let's Read a Story

Numerous research studies have indicated that children whose parents regularly read to them during the preschool years will later tend to do better in school. That's why parents are continually encouraged to read aloud to their children. A child's parents are generally their first educators and their most important resource for developing a love of reading.

Lets consider for a moment some of the things your child can learn while you read a story aloud:

-**Vocabulary.** As you read, your child is acquiring new words. Let them see the pictures on the page. Point to an object as you read its name. See if they can point to some objects you name out loud.

-**Information.** Your child is also acquiring new knowledge and expanding the horizons of their mind. Reading helps to open up a whole new world for them.

-**Comprehension.** From books, a child acquires new understanding of their world. They perceive new relationships between words and can relate new knowledge to what they already know.

-**Listening and Attention Skills.** Reading helps to sharpen your child's listening skills and improve their attention span.

-**Mental Awareness.** As a result of your reading, they will also likely become more aware of and take a greater interest in their everyday world.

-**Sequencing.** From your reading, they can learn about sequencing in time, ("Once Upon a Time. . .") and in space, ("In the first place sat. . ."), which is an important skill for later school learning.

-**Emotions.** As they identify with the characters in the story, they can sometimes gain a better understanding of their own emotions.

-**Love of Books.** As you read to your child, you are imparting to them an important value in your life, namely your own love of books.

-**Personal Love.** Above all, by setting aside interrupted quiet time for reading, you are letting your child know how important they are to you. You are thereby conveying your own personal love for them.

# What's Going On At Our Office

## Trainings in October

**\*IT'S SIDS:** Thursday, October 24th, 2018 6:30pm - 8:30pm CCR&R / Cost: \$6.00 for Library Members, \$8.00 for non-members / Credit: 2 CHC's

**\*What's in Your Teaching Toolkit?:** Monday, October 29th, 2018 6:30pm - 8:30pm CCR&R / Cost: \$6.00 for Library Members, \$8.00 for non-members / Credit: 2 CHC's

**\*Homelessness in Afterschool:** Tuesday, October 30th, 2018 6:30pm-8:30pm CCR&R / Cost: \$6.00 for Library Members, \$8.00 for non-members / Credit: 2 CHC's

## Save the Date!!!



Craven Smart Start Holiday Hustle  
Saturday, December 8th, 2018  
Union Point Park

Register at:

<https://runsignup.com/>

Search for:

**Craven Smart Start Holiday Hustle**

# October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> World Vegetarian Day	<b>2</b> Name Your Car Day	<b>3</b> Balloons Around The World Day	<b>4</b> National Taco Day	<b>5</b> Do Something Nice Day	<b>6</b> Card Making Day
<b>7</b> National Inner Beauty Day	<b>8</b> Columbus Day	<b>9</b> World Child Development Day	<b>10</b> Handbag Day	<b>11</b> It's My Party Day	<b>12</b> National Farmers Day	<b>13</b> Silly Sayings Day
<b>14</b> National Dessert Day	<b>15</b> National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day	<b>16</b> Dictionary Day	<b>17</b> National Fossil Day	<b>18</b> National Chocolate Cupcake Day	<b>19</b> Find four things that are red.	<b>20</b> How far can you hop on one foot?
<b>21</b> Count Your Buttons Day	<b>22</b> Smart is Cool Day	<b>23</b> Find four things that are white.	<b>24</b> National Bologna Day	<b>25</b> World Pasta Day	<b>26</b> Breadstick Day	<b>27</b> Make A Difference Day
<b>28</b> National Chocolate Day	<b>29</b> Internet Day	<b>30</b> National Candy Corn Day	<b>31</b> Halloween Day			

## Child Care Resource & Referral

2111 Suite F  
Neuse Blvd.  
New Bern, NC 28560  
Phone: 252-672-5921 Ext. 23  
Fax: 252-672-5922  
E-mail: bianca@cravensmartstart.org

*For training calendars  
& special events, check  
out our website or  
Facebook!*



*Child Care Resource and Referral is here  
for you. FREE referrals to fit your child  
care needs with a licensed, regulated, or  
legally exempt childcare program.*

*Looking for:*

*\*Full-Time/Part-Time Care*

*\*Before/After School Care*

*\*Part-Time Preschool*

*\*Weekend Care*

*\*Drop-In Care*

*\*Hourly Care*

### Mission Statement for CCR&R

**To enhance the quality and quantity of child care services in  
Craven County by providing a wide range of information,  
referrals, advocacy and training  
services to families, providers and the community in  
general.**

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