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Check out the County’s Twitter page www.twitter.com/ChasCountyGov

Check out County Emergency Management’s Facebook page:

Charleston County Uses Social Media to Reach Public in Emergencies
Follow “ChasCountyGov” on Twitter and join “Charleston County Emergency Management” on Facebook to get important local information.

The public can now follow emergency-related information issued by Charleston County Government on Twitter and Facebook.

For real-time emergency information, the public can follow “ChasCountyGov” (www.twitter.com/ChasCountyGov) on Twitter, increasing the accuracy and timeliness of critical information like evacuation orders and shelter information.

In addition, residents can become fans of the County’s Emergency Management Department on Facebook (http://www.facebook.com/pages/North-Charleston-SC/Charleston-County-Emergency-Management-Department/129515637090771) to be notified of current preparedness information, trainings and events.

“With Twitter, citizens can follow the County to receive emergency information the minute it’s released, directly from County officials,” said Jason Patno, director of Charleston County’s Emergency Management Department. “It’s another step in empowering the public to be prepared, get information first-hand, and take action during an emergency.”

For Charleston County Government news and information, visit the County’s Web site at www.charlestoncounty.org.