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This week Charleston County has two events surrounding hurricane season and Charleston County Emergency Management Chief of Operations, Cathy Haynes, who is retiring at the end of the month.

On **Tuesday, June 6**, Charleston County Council will recognize Haynes for her 35 years of service with Charleston County Government. Her service includes five years as a paramedic and 30 years with the Emergency Management Department. Her most noteworthy responses include those to Hurricane Hugo, Hurricane Floyd, the 2010 repatriation of U.S. citizens from Haiti, the unprecedented floods that devastated our state in October 2015, and the 2016 evacuation and response during Hurricane Matthew.

On **Wednesday, June 7**, Charleston County will be conducting its annual EOC exercise. During this exercise, The Charleston County Emergency Management Department will simulate monitoring and responding to a hurricane. There will be availability for the media to get b-roll and photos of EOC at 10 a.m. Cathy Haynes will be available for one-on-one interviews at this time.

Citizens can download [Charleston County's 2017 Hurricane Guide](#) in English and Spanish. There is also a guide for those with special needs and disabilities. Just click on the Are You Ready banner on our homepage.

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