



## City of Hopewell

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# MEDIA RELEASE

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**Hopewell, VA.** Now that the storm has passed, the City of Hopewell is in the process of damage assessment and recovery operations. According to Dominion Virginia Power, 70% of Hopewell is without power as of 11:00 a.m. this morning. Dominion has crews out working to restore power as soon as humanly possible. Please be patient as they continue the restoration process.

Citizens are urged to take precautionary measures as they began cleanup efforts. This includes using appropriate personal protection such as safety glasses, gloves, etc. especially while using power saws and equipment. Please be aware of power lines that may be entangled while removing trees, limbs and debris. All power lines should be considered live and citizens should maintain a (10 foot) buffer zone.

Citizens are urged to check on neighbors, the elderly and disabled persons. The City's Public Works Department Citizen Convenience Center will open daily from 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. where citizens can deposit yard waste such as tree limbs, leaves and related debris. For debris questions, call (804) 541-2294/2295.

If you have a power outage, please contact Virginia Dominion Power at (866) 366-4357. For all emergencies, please call 911. For general questions about the storm call 211 or traffic information dial 511.

Chief John Keohane, Incident Commander for emergency operations said "City workers performed admirably during the storm (Hurricane Irene) and now are in recovery efforts. I am very proud of our emergency management team and it was an honor to lead them during the emergency operations."

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