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**Connecting  
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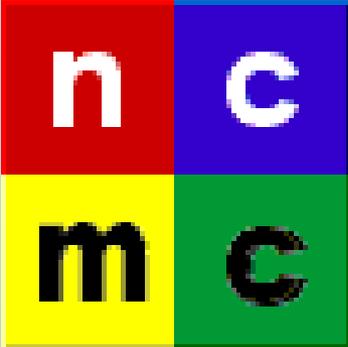
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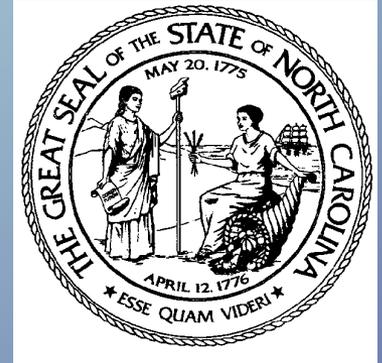
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**CULTURAL  
RESOURCES**

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Collaboration is  
our key to  
success



**ncpc** | **North Carolina Preservation Consortium**  
Preserving collections in libraries, museums, archives, and historic sites

**Cultural Resources  
Emergency Networks**  
**MACREN**  
**TACREN**  
**NACREN**

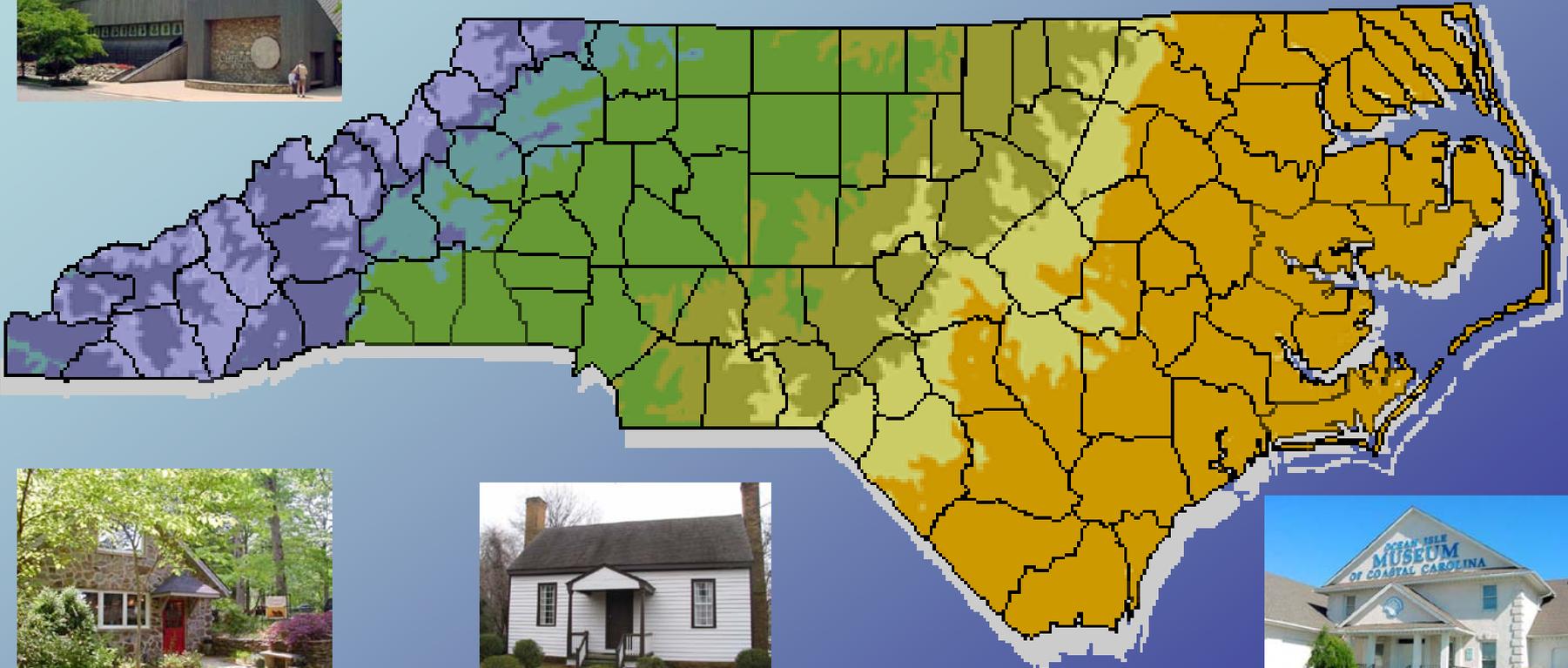


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# 950 Institutions Across our State!



NC's cultural heritage institutions  
care for more than 13 million  
objects and more than 200 million  
linear feet of archival materials



72 % of institutions have no disaster response plan



60 % describe storage as inadequate



86 % have no professional conservation staff



# NC Connecting to Collections

## \*\* Training is Key \*\*

- Disaster Planning Coordinator
  - Develop Disaster Plans with institutions
  - Hands-on Response and Recovery Training
  - Create regional response teams
- Collections Care Trainer
  - Storage strategies to mitigate damage
  - Handling, pest management, temperature and humidity, exhibits, housekeeping

# Disaster Response Networks

- Regional networks
  - MACREN (Mountain Area)
  - TACREN (Triangle Area)
  - [NACREN] (Neuse Area)
  - [Wilmington Area]
  - [Charlotte Area]
- Statewide response team (under development)



# Hurricane Irene

**220** Cultural Heritage Institutions in areas directly affected by Irene

Assessments still under way in heavily affected areas

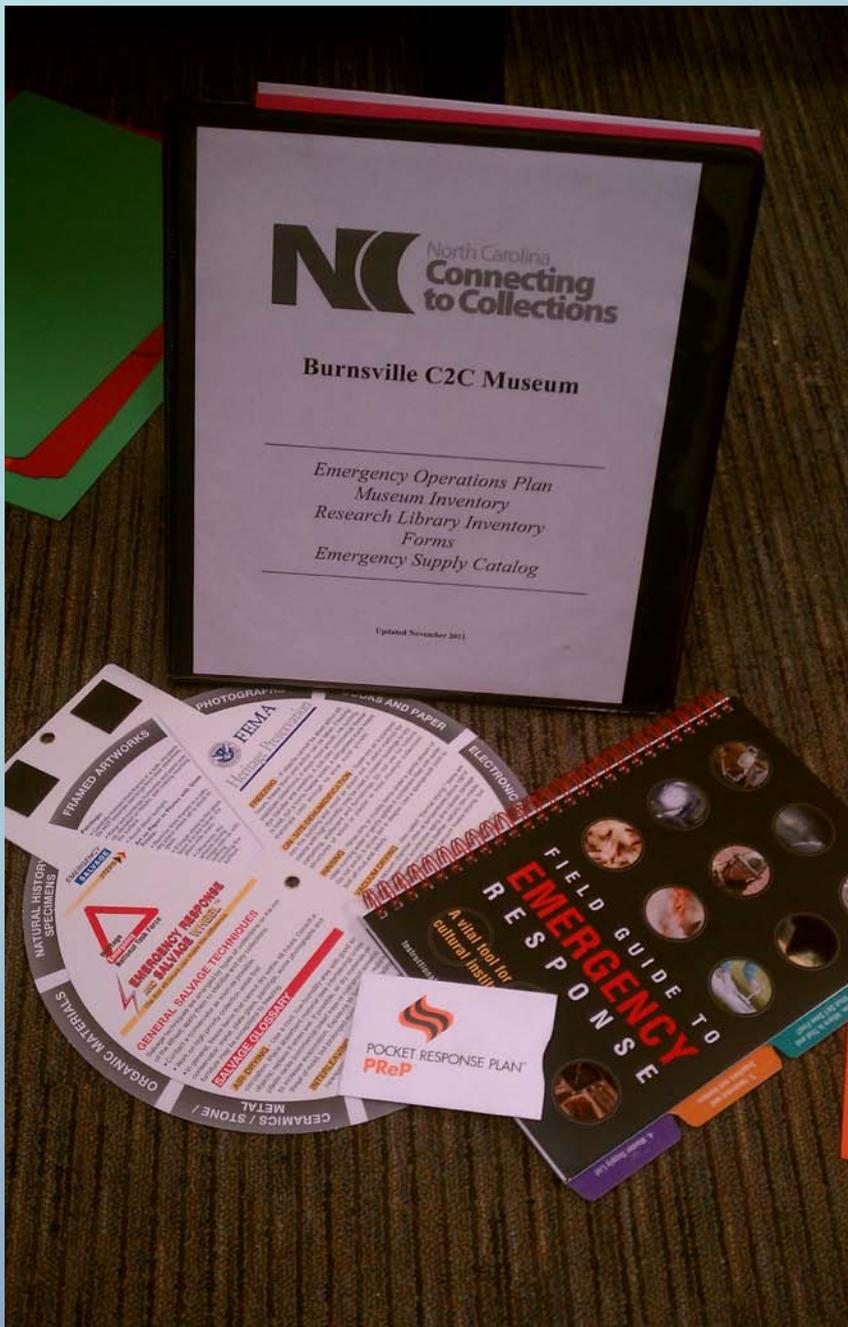
- Libraries flooded
- Museums/galleries flooded
- Historic Sites - trees, fences, & structures damaged



# “Burnsville C2C Museum”

## Breaking news:

The newly established Burnsville C2C Museum in Buxton experienced a devastating fire on February 6<sup>th</sup>. With the help of a well-written plan, an inventory, and a kit of response supplies, all collections were safely removed from the building.

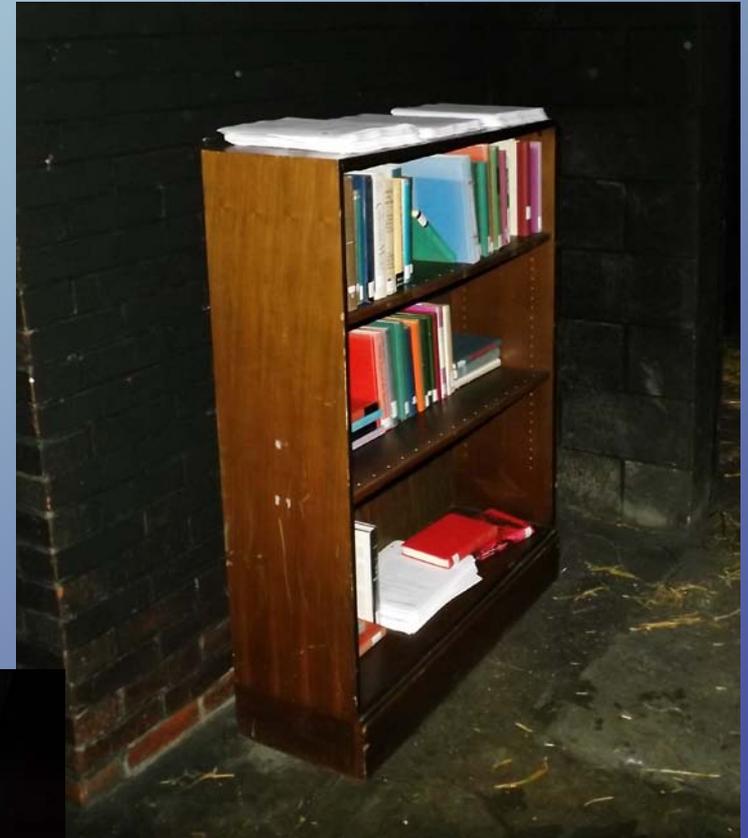


# Burnsville C2C Museum



A brick building...

plus exhibits



and reference / archives...



Equals a mess to manage after a fire and it's declared safe for staff to enter and begin salvage operations.....

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