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A FEMA/State Disaster Recovery Center Is Coming to Wakulla County

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – A FEMA/State Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) is opening in Wakulla County to bring information about available state and federal assistance. The deadline to register for federal disaster assistance under Hurricane Hermine is **Nov. 28**.

The DRC will be open from **Thursday Nov. 17, through Saturday Nov. 19, 2016** at the following location and times:

WHERE: Wakulla County Recreation Department 79 Recreation Dr. Crawfordville, FL. 32327

WHEN: Thursday Nov. 17, through Saturday Nov. 19, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

DRCs are staffed with representatives from FEMA, Florida Division of Emergency Management and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). You can receive help applying for federal disaster assistance, learn about the types of assistance available, learn about the appeals process and obtain updates regarding your application.

Many services offered at DRCs are also available by calling the FEMA helpline at **800-621-3362** (voice/**711/VRS**-Video Relay Service) (TTY: **800-462-7585**). Multilingual operators are available (press 2 for Spanish). The toll-free lines are open 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week, until further notice. Survivors with questions regarding the application or the appeals process, or who need to register for assistance, may also visit online at <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>.

Floridians who already registered for disaster assistance with FEMA are encouraged to stay in touch. If addresses or phone numbers change they should be updated with FEMA as soon as possible. Missing or erroneous information could result in delays in getting a home inspection or receiving assistance.

For more information about SBA loans, call SBA's Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center at **800-659-2955** (TTY: **800-877-8339**), email <u>disastercustomerservice@sba.gov</u>, or visit <u>http://www.sba.gov/disaster</u>. Applicants may also apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at <u>https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela</u>.

For more information on Florida's disaster recovery, visit <u>fema.gov/disaster/4280</u>, <u>twitter.com/femaregion4</u>, <u>facebook.com/FEMA</u>, and <u>fema.gov/blog</u>, <u>floridadisaster.org</u> or #FLRecovers.

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FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at **800-621-3362** (voice, **711/VRS** - Video Relay Service) (TTY: **800-462-7585**). Multilingual operators are available (press 2 for Spanish).

The U.S. Small Business Administration is the federal government's primary source of money to help business of all sizes, private non-profit organizations, homeowners and renters rebuild and recover after a disaster. SBA low-interest disaster loans repair and replace property losses not fully compensated by insurance and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies.