



Disaster Field Operations Center West

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SBA to Close Its Business Recovery Center in Orange

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – Director Tanya N. Garfield of the U.S. Small Business Administration’s Disaster Field Operations Center-West announced today that SBA will close its Orange Business Recovery Center at 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 15. “SBA opened the center to provide personalized assistance to businesses that were affected by Tropical Storm Imelda that occurred Sept. 17 - 23, 2019,” said Garfield.

Until the center closes, SBA representatives will continue to meet with business owners to answer questions about SBA’s disaster loan program, explain the application process, help each individual complete their electronic loan application and close their approved loans. No appointment is necessary.

ORANGE COUNTY

Business Recovery Center
Orange County Convention and Expo Center
Conference Room 2
11475 Farm to Market Road 1442
Orange, TX 77630

Mondays - Fridays, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Closes 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15

SBA customer service representatives will also continue to be available at the following federal-state Disaster Recovery Centers to meet with businesses and residents,” Garfield continued. The centers are open on the days and times indicated. No appointment is necessary.

CHAMBERS COUNTY

Disaster Recovery Center
Winnie Stowell County Park
Rodeo Arena
335 South Park St.
Winnie, TX 77665

Mondays – Saturdays
8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

HARRIS COUNTY

Disaster Recovery Center
Harris County Social Services
Building
Training Room #136
9418 Jensen Drive
Houston, TX 77093

Mondays – Saturdays
8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Disaster Recovery Center
Former Richard Milburn Academy
1310 Pennsylvania Ave.
Beaumont, TX 77701

Mondays – Saturdays
8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

LIBERTY COUNTY

Disaster Recovery Center
Cleveland Senior Citizens Activity Center
220 Peach Ave.

LIBERTY COUNTY

Disaster Recovery Center
Liberty County Community Center
Jack Hartel Building

Cleveland, TX 77327
Mondays – Saturdays, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Disaster Recovery Center
A.V. Bull Sallas Park
EMC Fair Association, Building # 21675A
21675 McCleskey Road
New Caney, TX 77357

Mondays - Saturdays, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

318 San Jacinto St.
Liberty, TX 77575

Mondays – Saturdays, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

ORANGE COUNTY

Disaster Recovery Center
Orange County Convention and Expo Center
Planning Committee Conference Room
11475 Farm to Market Road 1442
Orange, TX 77630

Mondays - Saturdays, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Businesses of all sizes and private nonprofit organizations may borrow up to \$2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory and other business assets. SBA can also lend additional funds to businesses and homeowners to help with the cost of improvements to protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage from occurring in the future.

For small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and most private nonprofit organizations of any size, SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans to help meet working capital needs caused by the disaster. Economic injury assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage.

Disaster loans up to \$200,000 are available to homeowners to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate. Homeowners and renters are eligible for up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property.

Interest rates can be as low as 4 percent for businesses, 2.75 percent for private nonprofit organizations and 1.75 percent for homeowners and renters with terms up to 30 years. Loan amounts and terms are set by SBA and are based on each applicant's financial condition.

Applicants may apply online, receive additional disaster assistance information and download applications at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance. Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may call (800) 877-8339. Completed applications should be mailed to U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

The deadline to apply for property damage is Dec. 3, 2019. The deadline to apply for economic injury is July 6, 2020.

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