



DISASTER NEWS

Economic Injury Loans for Small Businesses

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SBA Announces Labor Day Closing of Business Recovery Centers in Mississippi

ATLANTA –The U.S. Small Business Administration announced today that its Business Recovery Centers in Mississippi will close on Monday, Sept. 6, in recognition of Labor Day. The Centers will resume normal operations on Tuesday, Sept. 7.

These Business Recovery Centers are established to provide financial assistance to eligible small businesses and private non-profit organizations that sustained economic injury as a result of the Deepwater BP Oil Spill.

The Business Recovery Center locations and hours are as indicated:

George County	Hancock County	Hancock County
George County EOC	Civic Center	Hancock Chamber of Commerce
355 Cox Street – Suite J Lucedale, MS 39452	335 Coleman Avenue Waveland, MS 39576	Colonial Plaza 412 Highway 90 – Suite 6 Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
Open: Mon-Fri; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Open: Mon-Fri; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Open: Mon-Fri; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Harrison County	Jackson County	Stone County
SBA Gulfport Branch Office	Jackson County Fairgrounds	Stone County Courthouse
Hancock Bank Plaza	Conference Room A3	323 E. Cavers Avenue Wiggins, MS 39577
2510 14 th Street – Suite 103 Gulfport, MS 39501	2902 Shortcut Road Pascagoula, MS 39567	Open: Mon-Fri; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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Anyone unable to visit one of the Centers may obtain information and loan applications by calling the SBA’s Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for people with speech or hearing disabilities), Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. EDT or by sending an e-mail to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Business loan applications can also be downloaded from the SBA website at www.sba.gov. Completed applications should be returned to one of the Centers or mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

Those affected by the disaster may apply for disaster loans from SBA’s secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>.

The deadline to return economic injury applications is **February 14, 2011**.

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For more information about the SBA’s Disaster Loan Programs, visit our Web site at www.sba.gov.