



DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of all Sizes

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SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center in Cook County to Close

ATLANTA – The U.S. Small Business Administration announces today that due to a steady decrease of activity, the Disaster Loan Outreach Center located at Chicago State University in Cook County, Illinois will close on Oct. 29, 2010.

The SBA urges those affected by the severe storms and flooding disaster that occurred from July 19 through August 7, 2010, to visit the Disaster Loan Outreach Center before it closes to obtain one-on-one assistance. Victims may visit the Disaster Recovery Centers in Cook County that are open until further notice. For Center locations, call SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955.

The Center closing in Cook County is located at:

Chicago State University
Emil and Patricia A. Jones Convocation Center (JCC)
9501 South King Drive
Chicago, IL 60628

Open: Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Closing: Friday, Oct. 29 at the close of business

To be considered for all forms of disaster assistance, those affected should register with FEMA at 800-621-FEMA (3362), TTY 800-462-7585 for people with speech or hearing disabilities or register online at www.disasterassistance.gov. Anyone issued an SBA loan application should complete and return it to the SBA, even if they do not want a loan. If the SBA is not able to approve a loan for homeowners or renters, they may be referred to FEMA for possible grant assistance.

The filing deadline to return applications for physical property damage is **November 17, 2010**. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **May 19, 2011**.

For information on the SBA Disaster Loan Program, [applying online](http://www.sba.gov), and obtaining business [application forms](http://www.sba.gov) visit www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance, or call the SBA's Customer Service Center for assistance in any language 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.

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