



DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of all Sizes
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SBA's Deadline for Physical Damage Disaster Loan Applications in Puerto Rico is Dec. 27

ATLANTA – The U.S. Small Business Administration reminds homeowners, renters, businesses and non-profit organizations located in Puerto Rico of the deadline to submit disaster loan applications for damage caused by the severe storms, flooding and mudslides that occurred from Oct. 4 - 8, 2010. The deadline to file an SBA disaster loan application for physical damage is **Dec. 27, 2010**.

Disaster loans are available to homeowners, renters, nonprofit organizations and businesses of all sizes in the municipalities of **Adjuntas, Aibonito, Arcibo, Arroyo, Cayey, Ciales, Coamo, Guanica, Guayama, Guayanilla, Hatillo, Jayuya, Juana Diaz, Lares, Maricao, Maunabo, Patillas, Penuelas, Ponce, Sabana Grande, Salinas, San Lorenzo, Santa Isabel, Utuado, Yabucoa and Yauco** in Puerto Rico.

Additionally, anyone with insured losses should not wait for an insurance settlement before applying to the SBA. If they do not know how much of their loss is covered by insurance or other sources, the SBA will consider making a loan for the total loss up to its loan limits, provided the borrower agrees to use insurance proceeds to reduce or repay their SBA loan.

The SBA offers low interest disaster loans to disaster victims for physical losses. Approved loans can be increased for protective measures to lessen similar future damages. Additionally, small businesses and most private nonprofit organizations may obtain disaster loans for unmet working capital needs.

The filing deadline to return applications for physical damage is **Dec. 27, 2010**. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **July 28, 2011**.

For additional assistance, call 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. until 6 p.m. ET or send an e-mail to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. [Business loan applications](#) can be downloaded from the SBA website at www.sba.gov. Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

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For more information about the SBA's Disaster Loan Programs, visit our website at www.sba.gov.