



DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes

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SBA DISASTER LOAN ASSISTANCE TOPS \$3 MILLION FOR VICTIMS OF THE SEVERE STORMS AND TORNADOES

Sacramento, CA – Eugene Cornelius, Jr., Director of the U. S. Small Business Administration’s (SBA) New Orleans District Office, announced today that SBA has approved more than \$3 million in low-interest disaster loans to homeowners, renters, and businesses of all sizes whose property was damaged or destroyed by the severe storms and tornadoes in Jefferson, Orleans and St. Martin Parishes that occurred February 12 and 13.

“SBA is the federal government’s primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster damaged private property. SBA helps homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes, and private, non-profit organizations fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations,” said Cornelius.

“SBA Customer Service Representatives continue to be available at the following Disaster Recovery Centers and Disaster Loan Outreach Center on the days and times indicated to issue loan applications, answer questions about SBA’s disaster loan program, explain the application process, and help each individual complete their application,” Cornelius said. “An appointment is not necessary to visit the Disaster Recovery Centers or the Disaster Loan Outreach Center,” he added.

JEFFERSON PARISH

Disaster Recovery Center
Westwego Gym
1200 Avenue D
Westwego, LA

Mondays thru Saturdays 8 am to 6 pm

ORLEANS PARISH

Disaster Recovery Center
Mt. Tabor Baptist Church
4128 Franklin Avenue
New Orleans, LA

Mondays thru Saturdays 8 am to 6 pm

ORLEANS PARISH

Disaster Recovery Center
St. Mathew United Church of Christ
1333 S. Carrollton Avenue
New Orleans, LA

Mondays thru Saturdays 8 am to 6 pm

ST. MARTIN PARISH

Disaster Loan Outreach Center
St. Martin Fire Training Center
1035-A Ruth Bridge Highway
Breaux Bridge, LA

Mondays thru Fridays 8 am to 4 pm

Individuals and business owners unable to visit SBA in person may obtain information and loan applications by calling SBA’s customer service center toll-free at **(800) 659-2955** or visiting SBA’s website at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance. Hearing impaired individuals may call (800) 877-8339. The filing deadline to return applications for property damage is **April 24, 2007**. The deadline to return Economic Injury Disaster Loan applications is **November 23, 2007**.

For more information visit SBA’s website at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance

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