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News Release

ANOTHER MILWAUKEE COUNTY DISASTER RECOVERY CENTER TRANSITIONS TO SBA DISASTER LOAN OUTREACH CENTER

NEW BERLIN, Wis.—The federal/state Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) at the city of Milwaukee Department of Public Works, 3850 N. 35th St., will transition to a Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC) on Friday, Oct. 22 at 9 a.m. The center will operate from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, until further notice.

Establishment of this second Disaster Loan Outreach Center demonstrates SBA's continuing commitment to ensure that every qualified individual and business receives the help they need to recover from this disaster. "Assisting individuals and business owners to recover from a disaster is our primary mission," said Frank Skaggs, director of SBA Field Operations Center East. "We are encouraging anyone with an SBA disaster loan application or questions, to visit either one of our centers while we still have staff here."

SBA and FEMA representatives are also at the Milwaukee Brotherhood of Firefighters Association, 7717 W. Good Hope Road, Milwaukee, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, until the close of business on Oct. 28.

Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) opened the disaster recovery center on Sept. 22 to provide disaster information to individuals and businesses who suffered damage as a result of severe storms, flooding and tornadoes that occurred July 20-24.

SBA offers low-interest federal disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private, non-profit organizations to repair or replace property damaged or destroyed by the disaster. SBA offers disaster loans of up to \$200,000 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.

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Businesses of any size and private non-profit 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 help with the cost of making improvements that protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage from occurring in the future.

For small businesses and most private, non-profit organizations of all sizes, SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) to help meet working capital needs that cannot be met as a result of the disaster. EIDL assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage.

To be considered for all forms of disaster assistance, disaster survivors should first register with FEMA at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or by calling **1-800-621-3362** or TTY **1-800-462-7585**. Phone lines are open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CDT until further notice.

For additional information about SBA disaster assistance, call the SBA Disaster Customer Service Center at **1-800-659-2955**, or contact SBA by email at disastercustomerservice@sba.gov or visit SBA's Web site: www.sba.gov. People with speech or hearing disabilities can call **1-800-877-8339**. Both phone lines are open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. CDT Monday through Friday. Those affected by this disaster may fill out a loan application online by visiting SBA's secure Web site: <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>.

The filing deadline for individuals and business owners to register with FEMA and return their SBA applications for property damage is **Nov. 17, 2010**. The EIDL deadline is **June 20, 2011**.

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

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