



U.S. Small Business Administration

GETTING DISASTER HELP FROM SBA

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- ◆ SBA offers federal low-interest disaster loans to **businesses of all sizes, most private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters.**
- ◆ Businesses of any size may borrow **up to \$2 million** to repair/replace disaster property damage.
- ◆ Small businesses, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and most private nonprofit organizations may also borrow to help meet disaster caused working capital needs. The \$2 million maximum applies to the combination of property damage and working capital loans.
- ◆ If you are a **homeowner or renter**, FEMA may refer you to SBA. SBA disaster loans are the primary source of money to pay for repair or replacement costs not fully covered by insurance or other compensation.
- ◆ Homeowners may borrow **up to \$200,000** to repair or replace their primary residence.
- ◆ Homeowners and renters may borrow **up to \$40,000** to replace personal property, including vehicles.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

- ◆ Register with FEMA at www.disasterassistance.gov. This is the fastest way to register for help. You may also register by calling FEMA at (800) 621-3362.
- ◆ **Homeowners and renters should submit their SBA disaster loan application, even if they are not sure if they will need or want a loan. If SBA cannot approve your application, in most cases we refer you to FEMA's Other Needs Assistance (ONA) program for possible additional assistance.**

THREE WAYS TO APPLY TO SBA

- ◆ Apply online using SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>.
- ◆ Apply in person at any Disaster Recovery Center and receive personal, one-on-one help from an SBA representative. For additional information or to find a location near you, visit our website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>, call SBA at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may call (800) 877-8339.
- ◆ Apply by mail: Send completed paper application to U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.