



DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Businesses of All Sizes, Homeowners and Renters

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SBA Business Recovery Centers in Florida Closing; Last Days to Meet With Representatives

ATLANTA – The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) announced today that the Business Recovery Centers (BRC) in St. Johns and Volusia counties, Florida will close permanently on **Thursday, Dec. 22.**

Businesses, private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters with uninsured physical losses due to Hurricane Matthew are encouraged to visit the Business Recovery Centers before they close. SBA representatives at the Centers can provide information about disaster loans, answer questions and help survivors complete the SBA application. The Centers are located as indicated below.

SBA Business Recovery Centers

St. Johns County

St. Johns County Chamber of Commerce
[1 News Place, Suite C](#)
St. Augustine, FL 32086

Days: Tue, Wed and Thu, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Closing: Thursday, Dec. 22 at 5 p.m.

Volusia County

Florida Department of Health - Volusia County
[1845 Holsonback Dr.](#)
Daytona Beach, FL 32117

Days: Tue and Wed, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.;
Thursday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Closing: Thursday, Dec. 22 at 5 p.m.

Businesses and private nonprofit organizations can apply for up to \$2 million for disaster damaged real estate, machinery, equipment, inventory, and other business assets. Economic Injury Disaster Loans for working capital are available even if the business did not suffer any physical damage. Homeowners can apply for up to \$200,000 for damaged real estate. Homeowners and renters can apply for up to \$40,000 for damaged personal property including automobiles. Interest rates are as low as 4 percent for businesses, 2.625 percent for private nonprofit organizations, and 1.563 percent for homeowners and renters, with terms up to 30 years.

Applicants may be eligible for a loan amount increase up to 20 percent of their physical damages, as verified by the SBA for mitigation purposes, including a safe room or storm shelter.

Additional information on the disaster loan program may be obtained by calling SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or by sending an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Loan applications can be downloaded from www.sba.gov. Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>.

The filing deadline to return applications for physical property damage is **Dec. 16, 2016**. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **July 17, 2017**.

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