



Disaster News Release

Federal Disaster Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of all sizes

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SBA ANNOUNCES HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR TEMPORARY DISASTER ASSISTANCE OFFICES OFFICES TO CLOSE DECEMBER 20TH AND REOPEN JANUARY 3RD

NASHVILLE, TN – SBA will temporarily close its disaster loan assistance offices on Thursday, December 20, at 6:00 p.m. and **reopen** on Thursday, January 3rd at 9:00 a.m. That means that homeowners, renters, landlords, and business owners have just a few days left to get personal help with their SBA disaster loan applications before the holiday, according to SBA Disaster Area Director Michael C. Allen.

SBA Disaster Loan Assistance Offices will close at 6:00 p.m. on December 20th and reopen on January 3rd at:

Shelby County

Old Shelby County Nursing Home
1075 Mullins Station Street
Memphis, TN 38134

Henry County

Paris City Hall – Meeting Room
100 N. Caldwell Street
Paris, TN 38242

Whitehaven Community Center
4318 Graceland Drive
Memphis, TN 38116

All offices will re-open at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 3rd. Thereafter, all offices will return to their regular schedule Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., until further notice.

“It doesn’t make any difference if you had some insurance, no insurance, or think you’re fully covered, you should take the time to speak with our disaster loan staff while they are there. Insurance usually doesn’t cover all of your needs and you may not be able to settle your claim quickly,” Allen Added.

The deadline for SBA applications is February 5, 2002. Applications will not be accepted after that date.

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Information about the disaster program is available on SBA’s homepage at www.sba.gov