



DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes

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SBA to Close Disaster Loan Outreach Centers in Belfair, Long Beach and Raymond

Sacramento, CA – Nancy Porzio, Director of the U. S. Small Business Administration’s Seattle District Office, today announced that SBA will close its **Disaster Loan Outreach Centers** in **Belfair, Long Beach** and **Raymond**. “The outreach centers will close on **Thursday, February 7,**” Porzio said. These centers will remain open on the days and times indicated until then.

SBA customer service representatives have been available at these centers to provide personalized disaster assistance to residents and businesses in response to President Bush’s disaster declaration

MASON COUNTY **BELFAIR**

Disaster Loan Outreach Center
Mason County Fire District #2
460 NE Old Belfair Hwy
Belfair, WA 98528

Mondays – Fridays
9 am – 6 pm

Saturdays 9 am – 1 pm

Closes Thursday, February 7

PACIFIC COUNTY **LONG BEACH**

Disaster Loan Outreach Center
Bank of the Pacific
1007 South Pacific Highway
Long Beach, WA 98631

Mondays – Wednesdays only
9 am – 5 pm

Closes Thursday, February 7

PACIFIC COUNTY **RAYMOND**

Disaster Loan Outreach Center
Bank of the Pacific
560 Commercial Street
Raymond, WA 98577

Thursdays and Fridays only
9 am – 5 pm

Closes Thursday, February 7

Low-interest Federal disaster loans are available to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private, non-profit organizations to repair or replace property damaged or destroyed by the disaster. So far, SBA has approved more than \$15.1 million in low-interest disaster loans to Washington residents and businesses hurt by the flooding, landslides, mudslides and storms.

Disaster loans up to \$200,000 are available to homeowners to repair or replace their damaged or destroyed primary residence. Homeowners and renters are eligible for up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property.

Businesses of any size and private non-profit organizations may borrow up to \$1.5 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 homeowners and business owners with the cost of making improvements that protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage from occurring in the future. The deadline to return applications for property damage is **February 7, 2008**.

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For small businesses only, SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) to help meet working capital needs caused by the disaster. EIDL assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage. The deadline to return economic injury loan applications is **September 9, 2008**.

“SBA disaster customer service representatives will still be available at two Disaster Recovery Centers to issue loan applications, answer questions about SBA’s disaster loan program, explain the application process, and help each individual complete their application. Individuals and businesses who sustained losses from the storms and flooding that occurred from December 1, through December 17, 2007, can speak with SBA representatives at the following locations on the days and times indicated. No appointment is necessary,” Porzio continued.

GRAYS HARBOR

ABERDEEN

Disaster Recovery Center (DRC)
Aberdeen Community Center, Lower Level
117 East 3rd Street
Aberdeen, WA 98520

Mondays – Saturdays
10:00 am – 6:30 pm

LEWIS COUNTY

CHEHALIS

Disaster Recovery Center (DRC)
Yard Birds Mall
2100 N National Avenue
Chehalis, WA 98532

Mondays – Saturdays
10:00 am – 6:30 pm

To be considered for all forms of disaster assistance, victims must first call the Federal Emergency management Agency (FEMA) at (800 621-3362. Individuals and business owners who are unable to visit one of the locations may obtain information by calling toll-free **(800) 659-2955** or by visiting SBA’s website at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance. Hearing impaired individuals may call toll-free (800) 877-8339.

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

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