## Free Repair, Rebuilding Advice Available in Midland County

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**MIDLAND**, **MI.** – As Michiganders repair or rebuild their homes damaged by the flooding and severe storms that occurred June 22-27, 2017, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and home improvement stores in Midland County are teaming up to provide free information, tips and literature on making homes stronger and safer.

FEMA mitigation specialists will be on hand to answer questions and offer home improvement tips along with proven methods to prevent or reduce damage from future disasters as well as offer tips and techniques to build hazard-resistant homes. Most of the information and the free publications provided are geared to do-it-yourself work and general contractors.

Recovery topics covered include flood insurance, elevating utilities and rebuilding flooded homes.

FEMA advisors will be available at the following store:

## County

Location

**Dates** 

**Hours** 

Midland

Gill-Roy's Hardware

3128 S. Jefferson Ave.

Midland, Mi. 48640



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Tues. - Sat.

Aug. 22 - 26

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Free reference booklets with information on protecting a home from flood damage will be available. More information about strengthening property can be found at <a href="https://www.fema.gov/protect-your-property">https://www.fema.gov/protect-your-property</a>.

FEMA specialists can provide general information regarding flood insurance policies and offer technical assistance to aid in recovery. Disaster survivors and others can find a list of home improvement stores hosting FEMA mitigation specialists and their hours at:

English: <a href="https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4326">https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4326</a> Spanish: <a href="https://www.fema.gov/es/disaster/4326">https://www.fema.gov/es/disaster/4326</a>

https://twitter.com/femaregion5

To get in touch with FEMA, survivors may call the Helpline at 800-621-3362, TTY 800-462-7585, or going online at <a href="www.DisasterAssistance.gov">www.DisasterAssistance.gov</a> or the smart phone FEMA App. If you use 711-Relay or Video Relay Services, call 800-621-3362. Operators are multilingual and calls are answered from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. EDT seven days a week. Michigan Speech to Speech Relay Services:

English: 1-866-656-9826Spanish: 1-866-656-9827

The federal disaster declaration covers eligible losses caused by severe storms and flooding between June 22 - 27, 2017, in Bay, Gladwin, Isabella, and Midland counties.

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