

Eleven counties added to Operation Blue Roof mission

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Tallahassee, Fla. – Eligible homeowners in 12 counties impacted by Hurricane Michael are eligible for temporary repairs under Operation Blue Roof offered by the state of Florida, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Responders from the Corps began operations this week in Bay County. Now, eligible homeowners in Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Leon, Liberty, Taylor, Wakulla, and Washington counties who sustained roof damage can apply for assistance.

Homeowners who wish to apply must complete a right-of-entry (ROE) form to allow the Corps and its contractors to access the property. The ROE form can be completed online at www.usace.army.mil/bluerroof or in person at ROE collection centers which have been set up in the area.

The Corps is currently operating ROE collection sites from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. CDT, seven days a week in the following locations (all in Bay County):

Panama City Square

525 W 23rd Street

Panama City, FL



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Walmart

15495 Panama City Beach Pkwy

Panama City Beach, FL

Walmart

2101 S Highway 77

Lynn Haven, FL

The Corps plans to open additional ROE collection centers in other communities across the region in the coming days.

Only primary residences that have standard shingled roofs are eligible to receive a temporary blue roof. Metal roofs and mobile homes will be repaired as practical on a case-by-case basis, and roofs with greater than 50 percent structural damage are not eligible for this program.

Renters must obtain legal permission from the owner for installation of a blue roof. They must also get legal permission from their landlord to continue occupying the residence until more permanent repairs are made.

For the most current information, please visit the USACE Blue Roof website at www.usace.army.mil/BlueRoof or call **1-888-ROOF-BLU** (1-888-766-3258).



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For a list of locations where survivors can obtain commodities (water, food, etc.), visit www.floridadisaster.org/info.

For more Hurricane Michael recovery information, visit www.fema.gov/disaster/4399.

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