Wasilla Disaster Recovery Center Will Transition to SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska – The disaster recovery center in Wasilla will close on Wednesday, May 15 at 7 p.m.

The center is at the following location:

Christ First United Methodist Church

2635 S. Old Knik Rd, Wasilla AK 99654

The center will transition to a U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Loan Outreach Center (DLOC), and reopen as a DLOC at 9 a.m. on Thursday, May 16, at the same location. The new hours of operation for the DLOC will be Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

SBA customer service representatives will be at the DLOC to meet with business owners and residents to answer their questions, explain SBA's disaster loan program, and close their approved disaster loans.

Help is still available for those impacted by the Nov. 30 earthquake:

- Helpline: 800-621-3362 (FEMA), voice/VP/711. TTY users may call 800-462-7585. 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily
- Visit DisasterAssistance.gov
- Visit any disaster recovery center:

University of Alaska Annex at University Center Mall 3901 Old Seward Hwy., Suite 153



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Anchorage, AK 99503 Community Covenant Church 16123 Artillery Rd. Eagle River, AK 99577

For additional information or to find a location near you call SBA at **800-659-2955**, visit <u>www.sba.gov/disaster</u>, or email <u>disastercustomerservice@sba.gov</u>. Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may call **800-877-8339 (TTY)**.

The deadline to apply for an SBA disaster loan for property damage is **May 31**, however for small businesses and most private nonprofit organizations of all sizes, SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans to help meet working capital needs caused by the disaster. Economic injury assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage.

The deadline to apply for economic injury is **Nov. 1, 2019**. Business owners may apply at any center or online using SBA's secure website at https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela.

Interest rates can be as low as 3.74 percent for businesses, 2.75 percent for private nonprofit organizations and 2 percent for homeowners and renters with terms up to 30 years. Loan amounts and terms are set by SBA and are based on each applicant's financial condition.

For more information on Alaska's disaster recovery, visit <u>FEMA.gov/disaster/4413</u>, Twitter.com/FEMARegion10 and Facebook.com/FEMA.



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