

Bedford County Disaster Recovery Center Opening to Better Serve Pennsylvanians

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HARRISBURG, Pa. – The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania/FEMA Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) for Bedford County opens Friday Oct. 22 at 1:00 p.m. at the Bedford Fire Department, 248 W Penn St., Bedford, PA. The entrance at the rear.

The hours of operation for this DRC are:

For the first day, Friday, Oct. 22 the hours will be 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. After that the schedule will be:

- Monday – Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
- Sunday: Closed

Including Bedford county, there are now seven (7) DRCs in six (6) counties. Other DRC locations are as follows:

- **Montgomery County Community College**
 - Health Sciences Center Gymnasium, 340 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell PA
- **Ashbridge Square Shopping Center (next to Staples and Home Depot)**
 - 945 E Lancaster Ave, Downingtown, PA
- **Manchester Township Municipal Building**
 - 3200 Farmtrail Road, York, PA
- **Former CVS Store**
 - 7219 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, PA
- **Northampton County EOC**
 - 100 Gracedale Ave, Nazareth, PA
 - **Hours of operation for these DRCs are:**
 - Monday – Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 - Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 - Sunday: Closed
- **A mobile DRC is open** noon to 7:00 pm Wednesday, Oct. 20, and Thursday, Oct. 21, at Montgomery County Intermediate Unit, 2 West Lafayette Street, Norristown, PA



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DRCs provide disaster survivors with information from Pennsylvania state agencies, FEMA, and the U.S. Small Business Administration. Survivors will receive help applying for federal assistance, learn about types of assistance available, the appeals process and status of applications.

You may visit a Disaster Recovery Center without registering with FEMA. If you would like help registering, in addition to visiting a DRC, the following resources are available to help:

- Call the FEMA Helpline at **1-800-621-3362**. Help is available in most languages. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a **TTY** may call **1-800-462-7585**. If you use **711** or VRS (Video Relay Service) or require accommodations while visiting a center, call **1-800-621-3362**. The toll-free numbers are open daily from **7 a.m. to 11 p.m. EDT**.
- Information on the registration process is available online at [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/assistance) or [DisasterAssistance.gov/es](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/assistance/es) for Spanish.
- Download the FEMA [mobile app](#) (also in Spanish), wherever you access your mobile applications.

Disaster Recovery Centers are accessible to people with disabilities. They have assistive technology equipment that allows disaster survivors to use amplified telephones, phones that display text, amplified listening devices for people with hearing loss, and magnifiers for people with vision loss. Video Remote Interpreting is available and in-person sign language is available by request. The centers also have accessible parking, ramps, and restrooms.

FEMA's Individual Assistance program is designed to help survivors with immediate essential needs and to help displaced survivors find a safe, functional place to live temporarily until they can return home. Many survivors may have additional needs beyond what can be provided by FEMA. The agency works closely with state, federal, faith-based, and voluntary agencies to help match survivors who have remaining needs with other sources of assistance.

For updates on the Pennsylvania response and recovery, follow the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency twitter.com/PEMAHQ on Twitter and Facebook <https://m.facebook.com/PEMAHQ/>. Additional information is available at [fema.gov/disaster/4618](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4618).

For information about SBA's disaster assistance, call 800-659-2955, email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov



, or visit SBA's website at [SBA.gov/disaster](https://www.sba.gov/disaster). Deaf and hard of hearing individuals may call 800-877-8339.

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