State/FEMA Disaster Center to Open in Marion County to Help West Virginia

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Charleston, W.Va. – The State/FEMA Disaster Recovery Center located at Oakhurst Church of Christ, 3500 Husky Hwy, Farmington, Marion County will open Aug. 25, 2017 to help those whose homes or businesses were affected by the severe storms, flooding, landslides and mudslides of July 28-29, 2017. The center will serve residents in Marion and Harrison counties.

The disaster center location and hours are as follows:

Marion County (also serving Harrison County)

Oakhurst Church of Christ

3500 Husky Hwy.

Farmington, WV 26571

Marion County

Days and Hours

Monday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Thurs., Fri., Sat.: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sunday: 1 to 5 p.m.

Disaster Recovery Centers are staffed with representatives from the State of West Virginia, FEMA and the U.S. Small Business Administration. Survivors can get



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help applying for federal assistance, learn about the types of assistance available, learn about the appeals process and get updates on applications.

Visiting a Disaster Recovery Center is not required to register with FEMA. To register:

- Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362. Multilingual operators are available. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a TTY may call 800-462-7585. If you use 711 or VRS (Video Relay Service) or require accommodations while visiting a center, call 800-621-3362. The toll-free numbers are open daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.
 - Help is available in most languages, and information on the registration process is available in ASL at <u>fema.gov/media-library/assets/videos/111546</u>.
- Go online to <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u> (also in Spanish);
- Download the FEMA mobile app (also in Spanish), also available at Google Play or the Apple App Store.

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 West Virginia response and recovery, follow the West Virginia Department of Emergency Management at <u>http://www.dhsem.wv.gov</u> on Twitter and Facebook. Additional information is available at <u>fema.gov/disaster/4331</u>.

For information about SBA's disaster assistance, call **800-659-2955**, email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov, or visit SBA's website at SBA.gov/disaster.



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Deaf and hard of hearing individuals may call 800-877-8339.

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Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800-462-7585.

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The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes, and private non-profit organizations fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other recoveries and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations. For more information, applicants may contact SBA's Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center by calling (800) 659-2955, emailing disastercustomerservice @sba.gov, or visiting SBA's Web site at www.sba.gov/disaster. Deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals may call (800) 877-8339.



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