



## **Disaster Field Operations Center East**

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## SBA Relocates Business Recovery Center in Martin County, Florida

**ATLANTA** – The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) announced the relocation of a Business Recovery Center from the Airport Maintenance Building, 1895 SE Flying Fortress Way, Stuart, FL (last day of operation Sept. 15 until 2:00 p.m.) to the Martin County Fire Rescue Headquarters, 800 SE Monterey Rd., Stuart, FL, as indicated below and will operate until further notice:

Martin County Martin County Fire Rescue Headquarters <u>800 SE Monterey Rd.</u> Stuart, FL 34994

Opens: Monday, Sept. 17 at 9 a.m. Hours: Monday — Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

SBA representatives at the Center can provide information about disaster loans, answer questions and assist businesses in completing the SBA application.

Eligible entities may qualify for loans up to \$2 million. The SBA offers economic injury loans to help meet working capital needs caused by the disaster. The rates on these loans are 3.61 percent for small businesses and 2.5 percent for nonprofit organizations with terms up to 30 years. Eligibility for these working capital loans are based on the size and type of business and its financial resources. These working capital loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable, and other bills that could have been paid had the disaster not occurred. The loans are not intended to replace lost sales or profits.

Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at <u>DisasterLoan.sba.gov</u>.

Applications and program information are available by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 1-800-659-2955 (1-800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing), or by emailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Loan applications can also be downloaded at www.sba.gov. Completed applications should be returned to a center or mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

The filing deadline to return applications for economic injury is **June 4, 2019**.

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The U.S. Small Business Administration makes the American dream of business ownership a reality. As the only go-to resource and voice for small businesses backed by the strength of the federal government, the SBA empowers entrepreneurs and small business owners with the resources and support they need to start, grow or expand their businesses, or recover from a declared disaster. It delivers services through an extensive network of SBA field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations. To learn more, visit www.sba.gov.