



DISASTER NEWS

Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes
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Fulton County Residents are Eligible for SBA Disaster Assistance

ATLANTA – Fulton County residents and businesses affected by the tornado in Cherokee County occurring on May 20, 2008 can apply for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). The disaster victims located in the primary county of Cherokee and adjacent counties of Bartow, Cobb, Dawson, Forsyth, Gordon and Pickens in Georgia are also eligible to apply.

Loans up to \$200,000 are available to homeowners to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate. Homeowners and renters are eligible for loans up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property. Businesses of any size and private non-profit organizations may borrow up to \$2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed assets.

Interest rates are as low as 2.687 percent for homeowners and renters, and 4 percent for businesses, with terms up to 30 years. Loan amounts and terms are set by the SBA and are based upon each applicant's financial condition

The SBA's customer service representatives will be on hand at a Disaster Loan Outreach Center to issue loan applications, answer questions about the SBA's disaster loan program, explain the application process and help individuals complete their application.

The Center will be located in **Cherokee County** at the Cherokee Recreation Center, 7545 Main Street, Suite 200, Woodstock, Georgia and the hours are as follows:

Opens: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Thursday, July 31,
Hours: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Friday, August 1
8 a.m. – 12 noon, Saturday, August 2, 2008 (*One Saturday Only*)
Open: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday - Friday
Closing: Thursday, August 14 at the close of business

Individuals and businesses unable to visit the Center may obtain information and loan applications by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 1-800-659-2955 (1-800-877-8339 for the hearing impaired), Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. EDT or by emailing our customer service center at disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

The filing deadline to return applications for physical property damage is **September 26, 2008**. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **April 28, 2009**.

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For more information about the SBA's Disaster Loan Programs, visit our website at www.sbagov/services/disasterassistance.