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Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes

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SBA Opens Disaster Loan Outreach Center in Harrison County

ATLANTA – The U.S. Small Business Administration announces today the opening of a Disaster Loan Outreach Center in the Harrison County Archive Building in Corydon, Indiana. This Center is scheduled to open on Wednesday, **October 22 at 9 a.m.** and cease operations on **November 4** at the close of business. The location of the Center makes it convenient for disaster victims affected by severe storms and flooding that occurred on September 12 through October 6, 2008 to apply for disaster loan assistance.

Residents and businesses in the counties of Clark, Crawford, Dearborn, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Knox, Lake, LaPorte, Lawrence, Martin, Pike, Porter, Spencer and Switzerland in the State of Indiana are eligible to apply to SBA for both physical and economic injury loans under this declaration.

Small Businesses, and most private, non-profit organizations of all sizes in the following counties are eligible to apply for economic injury disaster loans only: Bartholomew, Brown, Daviess, Decatur, Dubois, Floyd, Franklin, Gibson, Greene, Jasper, Monroe, Newton, Ohio, Orange, Perry, Ripley, Saint Joseph, Scott, Starke, Sullivan, Warrick and Washington in the **State of Indiana**; Cook, Crawford, Kankakee, Lawrence, Wabash and Will in the **State of Illinois**; Boone, Carroll, Daviess, Gallatin, Hancock, Hardin, Jefferson, Meade, Oldham and Trimble in the **Commonwealth of Kentucky**; Berrien County in the **State of Michigan**; and Butler and Hamilton in the **State of Ohio**.

“I encourage homeowners, renters, non-profit organizations and businesses of all sizes to meet with a Customer Service Representative at the Harrison County Center or any of the Centers located throughout the disaster area for one-on-one assistance,” said Frank Skaggs, Director of SBA Field Operations Center East.

The location of the Disaster Loan Outreach Center is:

HARRISON COUNTY

Harrison County Archive Building (Old Jail)
233 North Capitol Avenue, Second Floor
Corydon, IN 47112

Opening: 9 a.m., Wednesday, October 22, 2008
Hours: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Monday – Friday
9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Saturday, October 25 (*one Saturday only*)
Closing: Tuesday, November 4 at the close of business

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“Loans up to \$200,000 are available to homeowners to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate. Homeowners and renters are eligible for up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property,” Skaggs added.

Businesses and non-profit organizations of any size may borrow up to \$2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, inventory, machinery and equipment. The SBA can also lend additional funds to help with the cost of making improvements that protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage in the future.

For small businesses, and most private, non-profit organizations of all sizes, the SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) to help meet working capital needs caused by the disaster. EIDL assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage.

Interest rates are as low as 2.875 percent for homeowners and renters, and 4.000 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.

Anyone unable to visit one of the Centers may obtain an SBA Disaster Loan application or the SBA’s program information by calling the SBA’s Customer Service Center at 1-800-659-2955 (or 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 9 p.m. EDT or by emailing our customer service center at disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Business loan applications may be downloaded from www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance. Applications may be returned to one of the Centers or mailed to: U. S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, Texas, 76155.

Survivors may apply for disaster loans from SBA’s secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>.

The filing deadline to return applications for physical property damage is **November 24, 2008**. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **June 23, 2009**.

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