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Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes

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SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center in Houma to Close

SACRAMENTO – Michael W. Ricks, Director of the U. S. Small Business Administration’s (SBA) Louisiana District Office, announced today that the SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center in Houma will close on Friday, April 3 at 6 pm. “SBA will continue to provide one-on-one, personal service to disaster victims of Hurricanes Gustav and Ike at the center in Houma until it closes and at the centers in Baton Rouge and New Orleans until further notice,” Ricks said.

According to Ricks, SBA has approved \$139.2 million in low interest disaster loans to Louisiana homeowners and renters and \$37.6 million to Louisiana businesses and private, non-profit organizations impacted by Hurricane Gustav and Hurricane Ike.

“SBA customer service representatives are available at the Disaster Loan Outreach Centers to answer questions about SBA’s disaster loan program, explain the application process, help individuals complete their applications and close their approved disaster loans,” Ricks said. Residents and business owners can speak with SBA representatives on the days and times indicated. No appointment is necessary.

TERREBONNE PARISH	ORLEANS PARISH	EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH
SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center Terrebonne Parish Library Main Branch – 2 nd Floor 151 Library Drive Houma, LA	SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church 5800 Canal Boulevard New Orleans, LA	SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Center Bon Carré Business Center Louisiana Economic Development Center 7149 Florida Boulevard, Suite 7149 Baton Rouge, LA
Mondays – Fridays 9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Mondays through Fridays 8:30 am – 5:00 pm	Mondays through Fridays 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Closes Friday, April 3 at 6 pm

“Although the application deadlines to apply for property damage from Hurricane Gustav and Hurricane Ike have passed, small businesses and most, private non-profit organizations may still apply for SBA’s Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL). These loans are designed to help meet working capital needs caused by the hurricanes and are available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage. The application deadline for these working capital loans is June 2 for Hurricane Gustav and June 15 for Hurricane Ike.

Residents and business owners may also obtain SBA disaster loan information from SBA’s Customer Service Center by calling (800) 659-2955, emailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov, or visiting SBA’s Web site at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance. Hearing impaired individuals may call (800) 877-8339. Disaster victims may also apply online using the SBA’s Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA’s secure Web site at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>.

For more information visit SBA’s Web site at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance.

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