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News Release

Disaster Recovery Center in Cedar Rapids to Close September 26 Help is still available for derecho survivors

DES MOINES, Iowa – A FEMA Disaster Recovery Center will close in Linn County on **Saturday, Sept. 26 at 6 p.m.** However, help for survivors of the August derecho is just a phone call, a mouse click or a tap on the FEMA app away.

Survivors do not have to visit a DRC to register or submit documents to FEMA. Applicants may register in the following ways:

- Go online to DisasterAssistance.gov.
- Download the FEMA Mobile App for smartphones.
- Call **800-621-3362** (TTY: **800-462-7585**) between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. CT, seven days a week. Multilingual operators are available.

Documents also may be submitted in any of the following ways:

- Mail to FEMA's Individuals and Households Program, National Processing Service Center, P.O. Box 10055, Hyattsville, MD 20782-7055.
- Fax to 800-827-8112.
- Submit them via a FEMA online account. To set up an online account, visit <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, click on "Check Status" and follow the directions.

The DRC is located at:

The parking lot between Cedar Rapids Kernels Stadium and Kingston Stadium

950 Rockford Rd. SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

(Enter the parking lot from the corner of Veterans Memorial Drive and Kurt Warner Way). Hours are Monday through Saturday, **9 a.m. to 6 p.m**. Central Time Closed Sundays

Survivors in Benton, Boone, Cedar, Jasper, Linn, Marshall, Polk, Poweshiek, Scott, Story and Tama counties have until **October 19** to register for disaster assistance.

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For more information on the Iowa disaster and a variety of recovery resources, log on to: https://disasterrecovery.iowa.gov/

FEMA's mission is helping people before, during, and after disasters.

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 faced discrimination or needs help with accessible communication, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362. Multilingual operators are available.

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