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## News Release

## Registration Deadline Extended 14 Days for Iowa Survivors

**DES MOINES, Iowa** – Survivors from the Iowa August 10 derecho have more time to register for Federal assistance. The deadline for survivors has been extended through Monday, **November 2**.

FEMA has approved more than \$8.5 million in Individual Assistance grants for 2,278 households. The Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved more than \$14 million in disaster loans for homeowners, renters, and small businesses.

Assistance provided by FEMA for homeowners can include grants for repairs to make their primary home habitable. Rental assistance is available to pay for temporary housing for homeowners and renters. Lodging expense reimbursement may be available to eligible households who may have stayed in a hotel for a short period of time.

First, if you haven't already done so, contact your insurance company and file a claim for the disaster-caused damage you've suffered. You don't have to wait for FEMA to start cleaning up, be sure to take photographs or video of the damage, and keep all receipts for repair work.

If you have losses not covered by insurance, contact FEMA by either going online to <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u> or by calling the helpline at 800-621-3362.

Applicants will need the following to apply:

- Address of the damaged property
- Description of disaster-caused damage and losses
- Current mailing address
- Current telephone number
- Social Security number of one member of the household

- Insurance information
- Total household annual income
- Bank account routing and account number for direct deposit
- Save your FEMA registration number, also known as FEMA ID number.
- Check your DisasterAssistance.gov account for updates.

This is for residents of the Iowa counties of Benton, Boone, Cedar, Clinton, Jasper, Linn, Marshall, Polk, Poweshiek, Scott, Story and Tama.

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) offers federal low-interest disaster loans to businesses of all sizes, most private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters. Apply at <a href="https://disasterloanassistance.sba.gov">https://disasterloanassistance.sba.gov</a>. People may also call 800-659-2955 or email FOCWAssistance@sba.gov. Deaf or hard-of-hearing individuals who use TTY may call 800-877-8339.

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

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.

HSEMD Mission: To lead, coordinate and support homeland security and emergency management functions in order to establish sustainable communities and ensure economic opportunities for Iowa and its citizens.

The U.S. Small Business Administration is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps businesses of all sizes, private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. For more information, applicants may contact SBA's Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955. TTY users may also call 800-877-8339. Applicants may also email <a href="mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov">disastercustomerservice@sba.gov</a> or visit SBA at <a href="mailto:sba.gov/disaster">sba.gov/disaster</a>.