



# **DISASTER NEWS**

*Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes*

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## **SBA Offers Disaster Assistance to Kansas Residents and Businesses Affected by Tornadoes and Storms in Dickinson and Riley Counties**

**SACRAMENTO** – Jovita Carranza, Acting Administrator of the U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA), announced that low-interest disaster loans are now available to residents and businesses affected by the June 11 tornadoes and severe storms in Dickinson and Riley Counties.

By declaring a disaster, Acting Administrator Carranza’s action makes SBA assistance available. Carranza’s action responded to a request from Governor Kathleen Sebelius that SBA received on June 18. The declaration covers the Kansas counties of **Clay, Dickinson, Geary, Marion, Marshall, McPherson, Morris, Ottawa, Pottawatomie, Riley, Saline, Wabaunsee and Washington.**

“We look forward to working with Kansas and the people affected by this disaster to make SBA disaster loans available to homeowners, renters and businesses,” said Acting Administrator Carranza.

“Low-interest Federal disaster loans are available to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private, non-profit organizations whose property was damaged or destroyed by the tornadoes and severe storms,” said Samuel Jones, SBA’s Region VII Administrator.

“SBA customer service representatives will be on hand at the following Disaster Loan Outreach Centers beginning in Chapman on Tuesday, June 24 at 9 am and continuing on the days and times indicated. The customer service representatives will issue loan applications, answer questions about SBA’s disaster loan program, explain the application process and help each individual complete their application,” Jones continued.

### **Dickinson County**

Disaster Loan Outreach Center  
St. Michael’s Parish Center  
230 E 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Chapman, KS

Open 9 am – 6 pm

On the following days

Tuesday, June 24, Wednesday, June 25

Monday, June 30 through Wednesday, July 2

Monday, July 7 through Wednesday, July 9

### **Riley County**

Disaster Loan Outreach Center  
Manhattan Fire Department  
(enter on the north side of the building)  
2000 Denison Avenue  
Manhattan, KS

Open 9 am – 6 pm

On the following days

Thursday, June 26 and Friday, June 27

Thursday, July 3,

Thursday, July 10 and Friday, July 11

Disaster loans up to \$200,000 are available to homeowners to repair or replace their damaged or destroyed primary residence. Homeowners and renters are eligible for 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 \$1.5 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory, and other business assets. SBA can also lend additional funds to help homeowners and business owners with the cost of making improvements that protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage from occurring in the future.

For small businesses only, 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.

Individuals and business owners unable to visit an outreach center may obtain information by contacting SBA's Customer Service Center at **(800) 659-2955** or [disastercustomerservice@sba.gov](mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov), or by visiting SBA's website at [www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance](http://www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance). Hearing impaired individuals may contact SBA at (800) 877-8339.

The filing deadline to return applications for property damage is **August 19, 2008**. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **March 20, 2009**.

*For more information visit SBA's website at [www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance](http://www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance).*

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