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Physical and Economic Injury Loans for Businesses

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SBA Disaster Assistance Available in Additional Counties for Private NonProfit Organizations in Florida

ATLANTA – The U.S. Small Business Administration announced today that additional counties have been added to the Presidential declaration for Public Assistance for damages resulting from Hurricane Matthew on Oct. 3-19, 2016.

PNPs located in the following **Florida** counties are eligible to apply: **Bradford**, Brevard, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Indian River, **Lake**, Martin, Nassau, Palm Beach, Putnam, Saint Johns, Saint Lucie, **Seminole**, and Volusia. Examples of eligible non-critical PNP organizations include, but are not limited to, food kitchens, homeless shelters, museums, libraries, community centers, schools and colleges.

The SBA offers low-interest disaster loans to PNP organizations for physical losses up to its loan limits. Applicants may be eligible for a loan amount increase up to 20 percent of their physical damages, as verified by the SBA for mitigation purposes. Eligible mitigation improvements may now include a safe room or storm shelter to help protect property and occupants from future damage caused by a similar disaster. Additionally, PNPs can obtain loans for unmet working capital needs. To be considered for this assistance, PNPs need to apply by the deadline.

Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>.

Disaster loan information and application forms may also be obtained by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or by sending an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Applications can also be downloaded from the SBA's website at www.sba.gov/disaster. Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

The filing deadline to return applications for physical property damage is **Dec. 23, 2016**. The deadline to return economic injury applications is **July 24, 2017**.

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For more information about the SBA Disaster Loan Program, visit our website at www.sba.gov/disaster.