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## **More Disaster Recovery Centers Will Open in Harris County**

**(Harris County, Texas)** – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is opening three Mobile Disaster Recovery Centers (MDRCs) in Harris County this Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. The MDRCs function just like the fixed Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) to help homeowners, renters and businesses who suffered losses during the April severe weather and floods, but have the ability to move to other locations if needed.

“Four DRC’s opened in the area last Monday and since then have registered more than 12,500 people,” said Harris County Judge Ed Emmett. “So far more than \$18.3 million has been approved to help flood survivors in our area.”

Going to a DRC or MDRC is not a requirement for registration, but specialists there can provide guidance regarding disaster recovery and rental resources, explain written correspondence received from FEMA, inform survivors of the status of their application, make referrals to other organizations and answer questions.

The additional MDRCs are located at:

- Foundry United Methodist Church, 8350 Jones Road, Houston, TX 77065
- Katy Park, 24927 Morton Ranch Road, Katy, TX 77493
- Lone Star College-University Park, 20515 TX- 249, Houston, TX 77070

The fixed DRCs are located at:

- Bayland Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet St., Houston, TX 77074
- Greenspoint Commercial Office Building, 16800 Imperial Valley Dr., Houston, TX 77060
- Cypress Creek Christian Church and Community Center, 6823 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, TX 77379
- Lone Star College Cy-Fair Library, 9191 Barker Cypress Rd., Cypress, TX 77433

Hours at the centers are from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays and closed on Sundays until further notice.

Survivors can also apply online at [DisasterAssistance.gov](http://DisasterAssistance.gov) or by phone (voice, 711 or relay service) at **800-621-3362**. TTY users should call **800-462-7585**. The toll-free lines are open **7 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week**. Applicants will be asked to provide:

- Social Security number
- Address of the damaged primary residence
- Description of the damage
- Information about insurance coverage

- A current contact telephone number
- An address where they can receive mail
- Bank account and routing numbers for those preferring direct deposit of funds

Eligible survivors should register with FEMA even if they have insurance. FEMA cannot duplicate insurance payments, but under-insured applicants may receive help after their insurance claims have been settled.

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