





Disaster News

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HOURS OF OPERATION CHANGE FOR DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS

Lacey, Wash. – Federal and state officials announce a change of hours of operation for all Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) effective Jan. 1, 2008. Normal hours of operation, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. will continue through Dec. 31, 2007. Beginning Jan. 1, 2008 the DRC hours of operation will be 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. seven days a week until further notice.

Disaster Recovery Centers in the designated counties serve those affected by the severe storms, flooding, landslides and mudslides that began Dec. 1.

Locations for the Disaster Recovery Centers are shown below:

Clallam County DRC	Grays Harbor County DRC	King County DRC
Forks Community Center	Elma Fire Station	North Seattle Community College
91 Maple Street	112 N. Second St.	9600 College Way, Main Bldg.
Forks, WA 98331	Elma, WA 98541	Seattle, WA 98103
Kitsap County DRC	Lewis County DRC	Mason County DRC
Old WA DMV	Yard Birds Mall, 2 nd floor	Theler Community Center
4841 Auto Center Way	2100 N. National Ave.	22871 NE State Route 3
Bremerton, WA 98312	Chehalis, WA 98532	Belfair, WA 98528
Pacific County DRC	Snohomish County DRC	Thurston County DRC
Pacific County EOC	Former Long's Drug Center	Rochester Community Center
300 Memorial Drive	3815 196 th Ave., SW. Suite 109	10140 Highway 12
South Bend, WA 98586	Lynnwood, WA 98036	Rochester, WA 98579

DRCs provide residents an opportunity to meet face to face with representatives from state and federal agencies to find answers to questions they may have about the recovery process. People should register with FEMA before coming to the DRC. Some phones and computers are available at the DRCs for those without access.

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Individuals can register for assistance by calling **1-800-621-FEMA** (**3362**), or TTY 1-800-462-7585 for those who are hearing or speech-impaired. **The FEMA application line is open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. local time seven days a week, until further notice.** You can also register online at www.fema.gov.

SBA representatives are at all Disaster Recovery Centers to meet individually with each resident or business owner to answer any questions about SBA's disaster loan program, help them complete their disaster loan application and accept their completed applications. Anyone not able to visit a center should call **1-800-659-2955** for SBA assistance or visit the website at www.sba.gov/services/disasterassistance.

FEMA coordinates the federal government's role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terror.

SBA is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes, and private non-profit organizations fund repairs or rebuilding efforts, and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover uninsured and uncompensated losses and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations.

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