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SBA Opens Business Recovery Center in Tusayan

Low-Interest Disaster Loans Now Available

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Small Business Administration announced today the opening of a Business Recovery Center in Coconino County to assist small businesses and private nonprofit organizations affected by flash flooding at Grand Canyon National Park occurring Aug. 29 – Sept. 3.

Beginning **Tuesday, Oct. 20**, customer service representatives will be at the Business Recovery Center in Tusayan to answer questions and assist people with the disaster loan application process. Walk-ins are welcome, and in-person appointments can be scheduled at appointment.sba.gov.

The hours of operation are listed below:

COCONINO COUNTY
Business Recovery Center
Tusayan Town Hall
Town of Tusayan
845 Mustang Dr.
Tusayan, AZ 86023

Opens Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 10 a.m.

Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Closes permanently Friday, Oct. 30, at 5 p.m.

"SBA loans help eligible small businesses and private nonprofits cover operating expenses after a disaster, which is crucial for their recovery," said Chris Stallings, Associate Administrator of the Office of Disaster Recovery at SBA. "These loans not only help business owners get back on their feet but also play a key role in sustaining local economies in the aftermath of a disaster."

The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan program is available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, and private nonprofit organizations — including faith-based organizations — with financial losses directly related to the disaster. The SBA is unable to provide disaster loans to agricultural producers, farmers, or ranchers, except for small aquaculture enterprises.

Economic Injury Disaster Loan's are available for working capital needs caused by the disaster and are available even if the small business or private nonprofit did not suffer any

physical damage. The loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable, and other bills which could not be paid due to the disaster.

The loan amount can be up to $2 million with interest rates as low as 4% for businesses and 3.625% for private nonprofits with terms up to 30 years. Interest does not accrue, and payments are not due until 12 months from the date of the first loan disbursement. The SBA determines eligibility and sets loan amounts and terms based on each applicant's financial condition.

To apply online, visit sba.gov/disaster. Applicants may also call SBA's National Support Network Center at (866) SBA-HELP or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance. For people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

The deadline to return economic injury applications is **July 13, 2027**.

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The U.S. Small Business Administration helps power the American dream of business ownership. As the only go-to resource and voice for small businesses backed by the strength of the federal government, the SBA empowers entrepreneurs and small business owners with the resources and support they need to start, grow, expand their businesses, or recover from a declared disaster. It delivers services through an extensive network of SBA field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations. To learn more, visit www.sba.gov.