## Time is Running Out to Apply for FEMA Assistance

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**CHICAGO** - The deadline to apply for federal assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency is **October 30** if you suffered losses from the flooding and storms that struck the state June 29 – July 2.

Registering with FEMA is as easy as a phone call to the FEMA Hotline, **800-621-3362**, or a visit to a nearby Disaster Recovery Center, which you can find at <u>FEMA Disaster Recovery Locator</u>. Users of a video relay service, captioned telephone service, or other communication services need to provide FEMA the specific number assigned for that service. Survivors can also register through <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, or on the FEMA app on their phones.

If you have already registered, you can keep in touch with FEMA via the Helpline, **800-621-3362**, to change your contact information, get your questions answered or to track the progress of your application.

Whether you are a homeowner, renter or business owner, you may be eligible for a FEMA grant and/or an SBA disaster loan that may help get you on the way to recovering from disaster losses. There's only one week left to register, and the clock is ticking.

For additional information about the disaster recovery operation in Illinois, visit www.fema.gov/disaster/4728.

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Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status. Reasonable accommodations, including translation and American Sign Language interpreters via Video Relay Service will be available to ensure effective communication with applicants with limited English proficiency, disabilities, and access and functional needs. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (including 711 or Video Relay).

