

# Twelve Additional Florida Counties Eligible for Operation Blue Roof

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**Orlando, Fla.** – Eligible homeowners in **Brevard, Citrus, Indian River, Lake, Martin, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter, St. Lucie, and Volusia** counties are now eligible for no cost assistance with temporary roof repairs. The newly added counties are in addition to **Broward, Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Hillsborough, Lee, Manatee, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Palm Beach, Pinellas, Polk, and Sarasota** counties that were previously approved.

Operation Blue Roof provides a temporary covering of blue plastic sheeting to help reduce further damage to property until permanent repairs can be made. The blue plastic sheeting is installed using strips of wood that are secured to the roof with nails or screws.

Only primary residences with standard shingled roofs are eligible to receive a temporary blue roof. Metal roofs and mobile homes may be repaired as practical on a case by case basis. Roofs with greater than 50 percent structural damage are not eligible for this program.

For rental property, legal permission for a blue roof to be installed must be obtained from the property owner. Renters must also obtain legal permission from their landlord to continue occupying the residence until more permanent repairs are made.

Homeowners must sign a Right of Entry (ROE) form to allow government employees and contractors onto their property to assess damage and install the temporary covering. ROE collection centers are open from **8 a.m. to 6 p.m., seven days a week** unless otherwise noted.

Three new Right of Entry collection centers have opened:

## **BROWARD COUNTY**



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Walmart Parking Lot  
2500 West Broward Blvd.  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

## **CHARLOTTE COUNTY**

Lowe's Home Improvement  
2000 Tamiami Trail  
Port Charlotte, FL 33948

## **MONROE COUNTY**

30320 Overseas Highway  
Big Pine Key, FL 33050

Additional ROE centers are located at:

## **COLLIER COUNTY**

Development Services Building  
2800 North Horseshoe Dr.  
Naples, FL 34104

The Growth Center  
310 Alachua St.  
Immokalee, FL 34142

## **DESOTO COUNTY**

County Library  
125 N Hillsboro Ave.  
Arcadia, FL 34266

## **GLADES COUNTY**

County Training Center  
1030 Industrial Highway  
Moore Haven, FL 33471



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## **HARDEE COUNTY**

County Library  
315 N. 6th Ave.  
Wauchula, FL 33873

## **HENDRY COUNTY**

Walmart Parking Lot  
1951 Hickpochee Ave.  
LaBelle, FL 33935

## **HIGHLANDS COUNTY**

County Civic Center  
4509 George Blvd.  
Sebring, FL 33875

## **HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

Seffner-Mano Branch Library  
410 N. Kingsway Rd.  
Seffner, FL 33584

## **LEE COUNTY**

Lowe's Home Improvement  
8040 Dani Dr.  
Fort Myers, FL 33966

## **MIAMI-DADE COUNTY**

Clark Government Center  
111 Northwest 1st St.  
Miami, FL 33128

Lowe's Home Improvement  
1850 NE 8th St.  
Homestead, FL 33033



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**PALM BEACH COUNTY: \*Note hours: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday**

Belle Glade Library  
725 NW 4th St.  
Belle Glade, FL 33430

**PINELLAS COUNTY**

The Outreach Center  
12875 Walsingham Rd.  
Largo, FL 33774

**POLK COUNTY**

5253 Airport Blvd.  
Bartow, FL 33830

**SARASOTA COUNTY**

Bee Ridge Park  
4430 South Lockwood Ridge Rd.  
Sarasota, FL 34231

Current information on Operation Blue Roof is available on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Jacksonville District website at [www.saj.usace.army.mil/BlueRoof](http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/BlueRoof) and at **1-888-ROOF-BLU (1-888-766-3258)**. Information is provided in both English and Spanish through this single number. The Blue Roof webpage is also available in Spanish at [www.saj.usace.army.mil/bluroof\\_espanol/](http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/bluroof_espanol/).

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*FEMA's temporary housing assistance and grants for public transportation expenses, medical and dental expenses, and funeral and burial expenses do not require individuals to apply for an SBA loan.*

*However, applicants who receive SBA loan applications must submit them to SBA loan officers to be eligible for assistance that covers personal property, vehicle repair or replacement, and moving and storage expenses.*

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