

Drive-thru Disaster Recovery Centers Opening in Caddo, Vermilion Parishes

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BATON ROUGE, La.— Drive-thru Disaster Recovery Centers will open in Abbeville and Shreveport on Thursday, Sept. 17 to help Hurricane Laura survivors.

A new feature of centers is an easy and COVID-safe way for Laura survivors to have documents scanned into their case file.

The drive-thru centers operate under strict COVID-19 protocols to ensure visitors are safe. Masks or face coverings are required for entry and service. Survivors remain in their cars. A specialist wearing a face mask will receive documents through the window and return them.

No appointments are necessary. Hours of operation are 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week.

The drive-thru centers will be located at:

Caddo Parish

[Independence Stadium](#)

3301 Pershing Blvd.

Shreveport, LA 71109

Vermilion Parish

LSU AG Center



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1105 West Port St.

Abbeville, LA 70510

Additional centers are already open in Louisiana. Survivors may visit any open center. To locate the closest center, call the FEMA Helpline, visit www.DisasterAssistance.gov or gateway.fema.gov/ESF6/DRCLocator or download the FEMA Mobile App at fema.gov/about/news-multimedia/app.

Survivors do not need to visit a drive-thru center to apply or update their application. To ask individual questions or submit information:

- Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 or TTY 800-462-7585
- Visit disasterassistance.gov/
- Download the FEMA Mobile App at fema.gov/about/news-multimedia/app

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Hurricane Laura Disaster Loans

For **businesses of any size** and private nonprofit organizations: up to \$2 million for property damage. For **small businesses**, small businesses engaged in aquaculture, most private nonprofits: up to \$2 million for disaster working capital needs even if they had no property damage. There is a \$2 million maximum business loan for any combination of property damage and working capital needs.

For **homeowners** up to \$200,000 to repair or replace their primary residence. For **homeowners and renters** up to \$40,000 to replace personal property, including vehicles.

Businesses and residents can apply online at www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance. For questions and assistance completing an SBA application call 800-659-2955 or email FOCWAssistance@sba.gov.

For the latest information on Hurricane Laura, visit www.fema.gov/disaster/4559 or follow the FEMA Region 6 Twitter account at twitter.com/FEMARegion6.

