FEMA Disaster Recovery Center in Springfield to Close Temporarily

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The Disaster Recovery Center in Springfield will close temporarily at 5 p.m. Aug. 10. It will reopen at 1 p.m. Aug.12; it will then continue to be open regular hours of 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. The joint recovery center, a temporary facility established in partnership between the town, the state of Vermont and FEMA, will help survivors apply for FEMA assistance, upload documents and answer questions in person.

The Springfield center is located at:

Springfield Health Center 100 River Street Springfield, VT 05156

Other recovery centers remain open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily:

Waterbury Armory 294 Armory Drive Waterbury, VT 05676

ASA Bloomer Building 88 Merchants Row, Suite 330 Rutland, VT 05701

Barre Auditorium 16 Auditorium Hill Barre, VT 05641

Barton Memorial Building 17 Village Square Barton, VT 05822

Jamaica Fire Department



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FEMA relocates Disaster Recovery Centers based on where they are needed most. FEMA works closely with state and municipal partners in determining those sites. Once a location begins to see a significant drop in registration visits, FEMA works with the state to move them to where they may receive more traffic from those in need of assistance.

All centers are accessible to people with disabilities and access and functional needs and are equipped with assistive technology equipment. If you need a reasonable accommodation or sign language interpreter, please call 833-285-7448 (press 2 for Spanish).

Representatives from the U.S. Small Business Administration will also be at the center to explain how to apply for SBA's low-interest disaster loans for homeowners, renters, businesses, and private nonprofits, and provide information about rebuilding to make homes more disaster resistant.

You don't need to visit a DRC to apply for FEMA assistance. To apply without visiting a center, call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362**, go online to <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u> or download the <u>FEMA App</u>. If you use a relay service such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA your number for that service when you apply. The deadline to apply for federal assistance is Sept. 12, 2023.

FEMA is committed to ensuring disaster assistance is accomplished equitably, without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status. Any disaster survivor or member of the public may contact the FEMA Civil Rights Office if they feel that they are the victim of discrimination. FEMA's Civil Rights Office can be contacted toll-free at 833-285-7448. Multilingual operators are available.



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