## **Disaster Recovery Center Open in Hardee County**

Release Date: November 4, 2024

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** – FEMA has opened a Disaster Recovery Center in Hardee County to provide one-on-one help to Floridians affected by Hurricane Milton. Survivors of Hurricane Helene or Hurricane Debby can also be served by the center.

Survivors do **not** need to visit a center to apply for assistance. Survivors are encouraged to apply online at <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u> or by downloading the FEMA App. FEMA does not distribute cash at Disaster Recovery Centers.

## **Center location:**

## Hardee County

Pioneer Park 231 Wilbur C. King Blvd. Zolfo Springs, FL 33890 Hours: 9 a.m.–6 p.m. Monday-Sunday.

To find other center locations go to <u>fema.gov/drc</u> or text "DRC" and a Zip Code to 43362. All centers are accessible to people with disabilities or access and functional needs and are equipped with assistive technology.

Homeowners and renters are encouraged to apply online at <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u> or by using the <u>FEMA App</u>. You may also apply by phone at **800-621-3362**. If you choose to apply by phone, please understand wait times may be longer because of increased volume for multiple recent disasters. Lines are open every day and help is available in most languages. If you use a relay service, captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA your number for that service. For an accessible video on how to apply for assistance go to <u>FEMA</u> Accessible: Applying for Individual Assistance - YouTube.



Page 1 of 2

For the latest information about Hurricane Milton recovery, visit <u>fema.gov/disaster/4834</u>. For Hurricane Helene recovery information, visit <u>fema.gov/disaster/4828</u>. For Hurricane Debby recovery information, visit <u>fema.gov/disaster/4806</u>. Follow FEMA on X at <u>x.com/femaregion4</u> or on Facebook at facebook.com/fema.

## ###

FEMA's mission is helping people before, during and after disasters.

FEMA is committed to ensuring disaster assistance is accomplished equitably, without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, nationality, sex, sexual orientation, religion, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status. Any disaster survivor or member of the public may contact the FEMA Office of Civil Rights if they feel that they have a complaint of discrimination. FEMA's Office of Civil Rights can be contacted at <u>FEMA-OCR@fema.dhs.gov</u> or toll-free at 833-285-7448.



Page 2 of 2

04/25/2025