

FEMA Specialists Give Rebuilding Tips at Home Depot in Council Bluffs

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DES MOINES, Iowa – As Iowans rebuild or repair the damage to their homes caused by the storms and flooding that occurred March 12 through May 16, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has teamed up with Home Depot in Council Bluffs to provide free information, tips and literature on making houses and businesses stronger and safer.

FEMA mitigation specialists will be on hand at an in-store information center to answer questions and offer home improvement tips and proven methods to prevent and lessen damage from future disasters. Most of the information is geared for do-it-yourselfers and general contractors.

Mitigation teams also will have free reference booklets in English and Spanish on mold and mildew clean-up as well as protecting your home from future flood damage. More information about strengthening property can be found at www.fema.gov/what-mitigation.

Information available includes building a storm shelter or safe room, creating an emergency supply kit and floodproofing for businesses.

FEMA specialists will be available 9 a.m.–7 p.m., Monday, June 10, through Saturday, June 15, at:

**Home Depot
3101 Manawa Center Drive
Council Bluffs, IA 51501**

For more information on the Iowa disaster and a variety of recovery resources, log on to: www.floods2019.iowa.gov or call 2-1-1. Additional information can be found at www.fema.gov/disaster/4421.



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The Iowa Department of Human Rights can provide information on resources for people with disabilities. Call 515-242-5655 or go online at <https://humanrights.iowa.gov>.

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has faced discrimination or needs help with accessible communication, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362. Multilingual operators are available.

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