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\$6 MILLION MORE FOR GEORGIA FLOOD SURVIVORS

ATLANTA – The total amount of state and federal funds going to survivors of September flooding increased by nearly \$6 million in the past week.

Loans to individuals and businesses by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) passed \$37 million and the amount of grants to survivors was more than \$51 million as of Nov. 12.

The total: \$88 million.

More than 26,500 individuals and businesses have registered with FEMA for disaster assistance.

People who sustained damage in the 17 counties included in the major disaster declaration have until **Monday, Nov. 23**, to register – by visiting www.disasterassistance.gov or by calling **800-621-FEMA (3362)**, TTY **800-462-7585**. Phone lines are open every day from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. ET. Help is available in all languages.

The counties designated under the federal disaster declaration for assistance to individuals, families and businesses of all sizes are Bartow, Carroll, Catoosa, Chattooga, Cherokee, Cobb, Coweta, DeKalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett, Heard, Newton, Paulding, Rockdale, Stephens and Walker. SBA economic injury loans are available to small businesses only in additional counties.

People can contact the SBA Customer Service Center by calling **800-659-2955** or TTY **800-877-8339** Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET or send an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov or visit www.sba.gov.

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

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 been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800-462-7585.

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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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