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DISASTER RECOVERY CENTER OPENS IN MORGAN COUNTY

ATLANTA – A disaster recovery center will open in West Liberty at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 10, to help survivors with property damage and other setbacks from the recent tornadoes.

Hours for the center are 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., seven days a week.

The center is located at:

Kentucky Housing Corporation Building 1084 Highway 7 West Liberty, KY 41472

Representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Small Business Administration, Kentucky State Unemployment Services and other agencies will be at the center to explain disaster assistance programs and help survivors apply for aid.

Survivors are encouraged to register for federal assistance prior to visiting. There are three ways to register with FEMA for help or information regarding disaster assistance:

- Call 800-621-FEMA (3362). Help is available in many languages. Disaster applicants who use TTY should call 800-462-7585. Those who use 711 or Video Relay Service should call 800-621-3362. Lines are open 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. local time, every day.
- 2. Register online at **www.DisasterAssistance.gov**.
- 3. Register using a tablet or smartphone by visiting <u>m.fema.gov</u>.

Kentucky Emergency Management urges anyone who has storm damage, to their residence or other property, to document the damage by photographing or videoing it, if possible, and maintain a list of any repairs and keep repair receipts. Report the damage and location to your county emergency manager. However, survivors must still register with FEMA to be considered for federal disaster assistance.

More disaster specific information can be found on the KYEM website at www.kyem.ky.gov.

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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). If you have a speech disability or hearing loss and use a TTY, call 800-462-7585 directly; if you use 711 or Video Relay Service (VRS), call 800-621-3362.

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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