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News Release

**Help Remains After Soldotna Disaster Recovery Center Closes March 9**

**ANCHORAGE, Alaska** – The Kenai Peninsula Borough disaster recovery center in Soldotna will close Saturday but help is still a phone call away.

The Soldotna center, located at the Soldotna United Methodist Church, 158 S. Binkley St., Soldotna, AK 99669, closes at 7 p.m. but residents can still file an application, get updates about their application, or learn about the appeals process by calling the helpline or visiting the disaster assistance website.

Here’s how:

* Call the helpline: **800-621-3362 (FEMA), voice/VP/711**. Help is available in most languages. TTY users may call **800-462-7585**. Hours are daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.
* Visit [DisasterAssistance.gov](http://www.DisasterAssistance.gov)

After a disaster recovery center closes, residents who applied for disaster assistance are encouraged to stay in touch with FEMA. If applicants change addresses or phone numbers they should update FEMA with the information. Missing or incorrect information could result in delays in receiving assistance.

Alaska residents who have not yet applied for assistance have until **April 1** to do so.

After registering with FEMA, businesses and residents can visit [*www.SBA.gov/disaster*](http://www.SBA.gov/disaster)or contact SBA’s Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center at **800-659-2955** to apply for a low interest disaster loan or get information SBA’s programs. TTY users may also call **800-877-8339**. Applicants may also email [*DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov*](mailto:DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov)*.*

Federal assistance is available to eligible individuals and households in the Municipality of Anchorage, Mat-Su Borough and Kenai Peninsula Borough.

For more information on Alaska’s disaster recovery, visit [FEMA.gov/disaster/4413](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4413), [twitter.com/FEMAregion10](https://twitter.com/FEMAregion10) and [Facebook.com/FEMA](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTkwMjEzLjE2MzkxNDEmbWVzc2FnZWlkPU1EQi1QUkQtQlVMLTIwMTkwMjEzLjE2MzkxNDEmZGF0YWJhc2VpZD0xMDAxJnNlcmlhbD0xNzU4ODAwOSZlbWFpbGlkPXl2ZXR0ZS5ibGFja21hbkBmZW1hLmRocy5nb3YmdXNlcmlkPXl2ZXR0ZS5ibGFja21hbkBmZW1hLmRocy5nb3YmZmw9JmV4dHJhPU11bHRpdmFyaWF0ZUlkPSYmJg==&&&103&&&http://www.facebook.com/FEMA).

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*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, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (FEMA), voice/VP/711. Multilingual operators are available. TTY users may call 800-462-7585.*

*The U.S. Small Business Administration is the federal government’s primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps businesses of all sizes, private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. For more information, applicants may contact SBA’s Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955. TTY users may also call 800-877-8339. Applicants may also email* [*DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov*](mailto:DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov) *or visit SBA at* [*www.SBA.gov/disaster*](http://www.sba.gov/disaster) *.*