

# Gov. Walker: Announces disaster assistance for homeowners and businesses in Southeastern Wisconsin

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**MADISON** - Governor Scott Walker announced today the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved his request for federal low-interest disaster loans for individuals and businesses affected by flooding in southeastern Wisconsin last month. The SBA will open disaster loan outreach centers to help flood victims and businesses obtain information and apply for assistance.

"We know many victims are struggling to recover from devastating floods last month," Governor Walker said. "We're thrilled the SBA heard our request and is able to provide families and businesses in Wisconsin with low-interest loans to help them get back on their feet."

The SBA declared Kenosha, Racine, and Walworth counties, along with the contiguous counties of Jefferson, Milwaukee, Rock, and Waukesha, eligible for disaster assistance. Homeowners are eligible for assistance in the form of low-interest loans of up to \$200,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed homes. Homeowners and renters are also for up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property. Low-interest loans of up to \$2 million are available to Wisconsin businesses for physical damage and economic loss because of the flooding.

More than eight inches of rain fell overnight on July 11, 2017 in southeast Wisconsin, causing widespread flooding and setting flood records along the Fox River. Thousands of homes and businesses were impacted, but there were no serious injuries.

The SBA Disaster Loan Outreach Centers will be opening at the following locations:

**Kenosha County - Opening Tuesday, August 22 at 10:00 a.m.**

Kenosha County Center  
19600 75<sup>th</sup> Street  
Bristol, WI 53104

**Racine County - Opening Tuesday, August 22 at 10:00 a.m.**

Western Racine County Service Center  
Eppers Room  
209 North Main Street  
Burlington, WI 53105

**Walworth County - Opening Tuesday, August 22 at 10:00 a.m.**

Walworth County Sheriff's Office  
1770 County Road NN  
Elkhorn, WI 53121