



**Business Recovery Status Report #17
 Presidential Disaster #1763
 October 31, 2008**

www.flood2008.iowa.gov

Iowa State University Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS) (www.ciras.iastate.edu)

- CIRAS teams continue to offer solutions to assist manufacturers (total=18 companies) in exceeding pre-disaster production levels. Examples of assistance include facility layout, materials testing, and education on conducting business with federal, state and local agencies along with identifying current and future procurement opportunities for Iowa businesses.
- CIRAS is exploring opportunities/needs for hosting workshops to address common industry recovery challenges and beginning to collect lessons learned on preparation, disaster response, and recovery in industry. In addition, CIRAS is working with other Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) centers and their partners across the US in identifying best practices for disaster recovery.
- CIRAS has volunteered to act as a resource for the Iowa Small Business Development Center (SBDC) and Cedar Rapids Chamber of Commerce case management activities for manufacturing companies.

Rebuild Iowa Office (www.rio.iowa.gov)

- Friday, October 31 was the last day to register with FEMA.
- Jumpstart Iowa
 - Businesses must be approved for a disaster loan from the U.S. Small Business Administration **or** from a state-chartered or federally-chartered financial institution in order to be eligible for Jumpstart disaster assistance.
 - Initial allocations released to the councils of government and entitlement cities on September 26, 2008.

Jumpstart Small Business Update*						
Current as of COB 10/30/2008						
Total # of applicants	Total amount requested	Total # applicants approved	Total amount obligated	Total amount disbursed	Ave. Award	Applications Ineligible
521	\$81.8 million	338	\$12.8 million	\$3.3 million	\$38,000	38
*Numbers are based on initial reporting figures. Numbers are expected to increase as more Iowans complete their Jumpstart Iowa applications.						

- \$1.093 Billion for Iowa's Disaster Recovery Efforts
 - \$421 Million – State/FEMA Public Assistance
 - \$242 Million – U.S. Small Business Administration Loans
 - \$116 Million – State/FEMA Housing Assistance
 - \$85 Million – 1st Round CDBG Disaster Funds
 - \$72 Million – 2nd Round CDBG Disaster Funds
 - \$40 Million – Jumpstart Iowa Housing and Business
 - \$37 Million – Executive Council Action
 - \$25 Million – Iowa Finance Authority tax credits
 - \$23 Million – U.S. Department of Transportation funds
 - \$18 Million – Labor/Jobs Assistance
 - \$6 Million – Embrace Iowa donations

- \$4 Million – Economic Development/Transportation funds
- \$4 Million – Disaster Unemployment Assistance
- \$500,000 – College Assistance to Families
- Harvesting Resources for Iowa Communities – Iowa Rural Development Council is hosting resource tradeshows to highlight state, federal and local resources in an informal setting. To register for the tradeshow click [here](#). Two sessions scheduled:
 1. Friday, November 14, 2008 at Iowa Wesleyan College, Howe Student Activity Center, Mount Pleasant
- Iowa Disaster Recovery Conference: Learning from the Past/Planning for the Future – December 9-10 at the Marriot Hotel & Conference Center in Coralville. Optional Community Design workshop on December 11 should be of interest to architects, engineers, contractors, small businesses, industries, city, county and community leaders, consultants and the general public. Registration is \$100 for the conference and an additional \$50 for the design workshop. Professional Development Hours can be earned. Registration and sponsorship opportunities available at www.iowalifechanging.com/register.

Safeguard Iowa Partnership

- Business Continuity Trainings are scheduled for Nov. 4 in Sioux City, Nov. 5 Cedar Falls and Nov. 6 in Cedar Rapids. To register for this FREE training go to <http://hls.extension.iastate.edu/calendar/>. If you do not have a user name and password you will need to create one.

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) (www.sba.gov/floods/)

- *SBA Application for Property Damage Deadline – **October 31, 2008***
- *SBA Application for Economic Injury Deadline – February 27, 2009*
- Operating 1 Disaster Loan Outreach Centers (DLOCs) throughout the state.
- Continues to sponsor a Business Recovery Center (BRC) at Westdale Mall in Cedar Rapids, where SBA has assisted over **3,300** visitors at the center.

Iowa SBA Loan Approval Totals Statewide Current as of COB 10/30/2008		
	Applications Approved	Funding Approved
Home	3,026	\$154,946,400
Business/EIDL	622	\$88,560,000
Total	3,648	\$243,506,400

Donations and Volunteer Management

Iowa Aidmatrix Portal

To donate cash go to www.aidmatrixnetwork.org/CashDonations/Default2.aspx?ST=Iowa. The organizations listed are members of National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters and other nonprofit organizations assisting in the recovery efforts in Iowa.

To view the identified needs and donate products go to www.aidmatrixnetwork.org/FEMA/PublicPortal/ListOfNeeds.aspx?PortalID=113. To fill a need, select **donate** and complete the required information.

Embrace Iowa 2008 Disaster Fund

The 2008 Iowa Disaster Fund will NOT take the place of contributions to local agencies such as community foundations, United Ways or Red Cross Chapters; rather, the Fund will encourage local contributions and also provide a fund for those wishing to make statewide contributions.

To donate go to www.desmoinesfoundation.org/page10002684.cfm.

Cedar Rapids Job & Small Business Recovery Fund

The Cedar Rapids Job & Small Business Recovery Fund provides financial assistance to a for-profit business (person or entity that sells good or services) or the owner of commercial property in Cedar Rapids that has sustained losses as a result of the flood.

Status as of COB 10/31/2008		
Funds Pledged	Funds Distributed	# of Businesses
\$5,110,000	\$5,045,350	277

To donate go to www.gcrcf.org. Select "Job & Small Business Recovery Fund" from the selection of flood funds.

To apply go to www.corridorrecovery.org/BusinessRecovery/BizRecoveryFundApplication.asp.

Iowa Commission on Volunteer Service

If you are interested in volunteering, register at

<https://volunteer.united-e-way.org/icovs/volunteer/register/?id=>