

10. KNOW WHERE TO GO FOR HELP



USE THIS FORM TO COLLECT IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THESE HELPFUL RESOURCES.

INSURANCE INSTITUTE FOR BUSINESS & HOME SAFETY (IBHS)

In addition to this guide, IBHS provides free disaster preparedness and property protection guidance, recommendations, and projects for small businesses. Visit DisasterSafety.org for do-it-yourself (DIY) guidance and projects sorted by risk and property type. <http://DisasterSafety.org>

IBHS also offers EZ-PREP, an emergency preparedness and response plan. This guide, plus a customizable checklist, can help businesses build a plan for responding to operational disruptions caused by severe weather. The EZ-PREP program complements OFB-EZ. To be best prepared, businesses should implement both programs to protect their businesses and bottom lines.

<https://disastersafety.org/business-protection/ez-prep/>

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AMERICAN RED CROSS

Among other disaster preparedness and response services, the Red Cross offers preparedness training programs and resources for workplaces, families, and individuals. www.redcross.org

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BUSINESS CIVIC LEADERSHIP CENTER (BCLC) – DISASTER HELP DESK

The BCLC Help Desk is designed to enhance community economic recovery after a disaster. They provide on-the-ground coordination of information among businesses, local chambers of commerce, NGOs, government responders, and disaster recovery specialists.

<https://www.uschamberfoundation.org/site-page/disaster-help-desk-business>

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DISASTERASSISTANCE.GOV

Provides information on how you might get help from the federal government before, during, and after a disaster. If the President of the United States makes help available to individuals in your community after a disaster, you can visit this site to apply online. <http://www.disasterassistance.gov>

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FEDERAL AND LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCIES

Even the largest, most widespread disasters require a local response. Local emergency management programs are the core of the nation's emergency management system.

<https://www.fema.gov/emergency-management-agencies>

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INSURANCE INFORMATION INSTITUTE (TRIPLE-I)

Triple-I is a source for insurance information. They offer a wealth of data-driven research studies, white papers, videos, articles, infographics and other resources solely dedicated to explaining insurance and enhancing knowledge. They provide objective, fact-based information about insurance—information that is rooted in economic and actuarial soundness. <https://www.iii.org/>

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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE–DISASTER ASSISTANCE AND EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR BUSINESSES

The IRS offers audio presentations about planning for disaster. These presentations discuss business continuity planning, insurance coverage, record keeping, and other recommendations for staying in business after a major disaster.

<https://www.irs.gov/businesses/small-businesses-self-employed>

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The Small Business Administration provides loans, loan guarantees, contracts, counseling sessions, and other forms of assistance to small businesses following a disaster.

<http://www.sba.gov/>

<https://www.sba.gov/business-guide/manage-your-business/prepare-emergencies>

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SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS (SBDC)

The SBDC assists small businesses with financial, marketing, production, organization, engineering and technical problems, as well as feasibility studies.

<http://www.sba.gov/content/small-business-development-centers-sbdcs>

<https://americassbdc.org/small-business-consulting-and-training/find-your-sbdc/>

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