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DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS OPEN IN TIFFIN AND FOREST

FINDLAY, OH – Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), one-stop locations for help and information regarding state, federal and volunteer disaster assistance programs, will open for three days starting Monday, Sept. 10, in Tiffin (Seneca County) and Forest (Hardin County).

The DRCs in Tiffin and Forest are Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mobile facilities, but each will stay in one fixed location for its three-day visit. The DRCs at those locations will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 10-12 only.

The locations are:

Seneca County Public Safety Building
126 Hopewell Avenue
(at the County Fairgrounds)
Tiffin, OH 44883

In Hardin county:
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1182
204 E. Lima
Forest, OH 45843

“At the DRC, representatives from state, federal, and voluntary agencies, and the U.S. Small Business Administration, as well as mitigation experts will be available to answer questions and provide recovery information,” said State Coordinating Officer Nancy Dragani of the Ohio Emergency Management Agency.

“The DRCs are there to help people who are hard at work getting their homes, their businesses and their lives back in order,” said Federal Coordinating Officer Jesse Munoz of FEMA. “We encourage people to register first, then visit a DRC.”

To register with FEMA:

- call **1-800-521-FEMA (3362)**, or **TTY 1-800-462-7585** for the speech- or hearing-impaired; or
- go online at www.fema.gov.

On Sept. 4, Hardin and Seneca counties were added to the federal disaster declaration for Ohio. The counties in the original declaration were Allen, Crawford, Hancock, Putnam, Richland and Wyandot.

FEMA coordinates the federal government's role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terror.

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