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SBA Deadline for Florida Private Non-Profit Organizations to Apply for Working Capital Loans is Approaching

ATLANTA – The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is reminding small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small businesses engaged in aquaculture and most private nonprofit organizations (PNPs) that **June 23** is the filing deadline for federal economic injury disaster loans in **Florida** due to Hurricane Sally that occurred on September 14 – 28, 2020.

PNPs located in the **Florida** counties of Bay, Calhoun, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Liberty, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, and Washington are eligible to apply. Examples of eligible non-critical PNP organizations include, but are not limited to food kitchens, homeless shelters, museums, libraries, community centers, schools and colleges.

The SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans to help eligible non-critical PNP organizations meet their working capital needs such as ongoing operating expenses. Loan amounts can be up to \$2 million with an interest rate of 2.75 percent and terms up to 30 years. The SBA sets loan amounts and terms based on each applicant's financial condition.

To be considered for this assistance, PNPs need to apply by the deadline. Applicants may apply for declaration #16686 online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at DisasterLoan.sba.gov.

Disaster loan information and application forms may also be obtained by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or sending an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Loan applications can also be downloaded from sba.gov/disaster. Completed applications should be mailed to: U.S. Small Business Administration, Processing and Disbursement Center, 14925 Kingsport Road, Fort Worth, TX 76155.

The deadline to submit economic injury applications is **June 23, 2021**.

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