

## For Immediate Release

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## Disaster Relief Public Forum Scheduled in Harlingen

**Harlingen, Texas**—The City of Harlingen, FEMA, the Small Business Administration, and the Texas Department of Emergency Management will hold a public forum on Thursday, August 8, to discuss ongoing disaster relief efforts currently underway in the Rio Grande Valley.

## Disaster Relief Public Forum







Date: August 8, 2019
Time: 6-8 p.m.
Location: Casa de Amistad
1204 Fair Park Blvd.

If you received an ineligible letter from FEMA and don't know where to turn. There are options. The City of Harlingen, FEMA, and SBA invite you to a public forum to learn more about ongoing relief efforts, where you can get help, and what the next steps are.

For more information: 956-230-8053

The forum to be held at Casa de Amistad will allow residents to ask questions regarding how to register and apply for FEMA assistance, how long it takes to find out if someone qualifies for assistance, and what options exist for those that have received letters stating they are "ineligible" for FEMA assistance.

Understandably, the recovery process can be overwhelming to people affected by any type of disaster.

That's why the City of Harlingen has scheduled the public opportunity where these questions and more will be answered during the two hour forum scheduled from 6 - 8 p.m.

FEMA encourages everyone affected by the June

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24/25 flooding to register because even if you're denied, you may still be eligible to get a Small Business Administration Loan.

Flood victims hoping to get assistance from FEMA only have 60 days to apply. The 60-day period began on July 17 when the Disaster Declaration was signed. You can also register by phone by calling 1-800-621-3362, online at <a href="DisasterAssistance.gov">DisasterAssistance.gov</a> for English and <a href="DisasterAssistance.gov/es">DisasterAssistance.gov/es</a> for Spanish or by visiting the Cameron County Disaster Recovery Center located at 1001 Pancho Maples Dr. in La Feria.

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