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## SITUATIONAL AWARENESS UPDATE

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**Please report relevant information and direct all media inquiries to the DHSEM DUTYDESK via e-mail: [DUTY.DESK@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:DUTY.DESK@cookcountyil.gov) or phone: (312) 603 – 8180 or (312) 603-8185.**

This SAU serves as clarification to SAU 01 sent on 11 May 2013.

The Presidential Disaster Declaration signed by President Obama on 10 May 2013 was for Individual Assistance Only.

**There are three ways to apply for assistance:**

- Apply Online at [DisasterAssistance.gov](http://DisasterAssistance.gov)
- Apply via a smartphone at [m.fema.gov](http://m.fema.gov)
- Apply by Phone:
  - Call (800) 621-3362.
  - Call TTY (800) 462-7585 for people with speech or hearing disabilities.

**Before You Apply**

- [What is disaster assistance?](#)
- [Do I qualify for assistance?](#)
- [What information do I need to apply?](#)
- [What items are covered by disaster assistance?](#)
- [What are my rights?](#)
- [Disaster Recovery Center Locator](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Right now, people can register with FEMA via the methods indicated on this website:

<http://www.fema.gov/apply-assistance>

This site is applicable for SBA loans also.

FEMA will provide additional information as it becomes available, DHSEM will ensure the most current information is provided to our municipal partners in a timely manner.

Addressees are requested to distribute the FEMA Disaster Assistance information widely.

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