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**Disaster Recovery Centers Update Hours and Prepare for Upcoming Closure Ahead of October 3 Deadline**

**CHARLESTON, W.Va.** — As storm recovery efforts continue across north central West Virginia, Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) in affected counties are adjusting operational hours in preparation for final closures as the October 3rd registration deadline approaches.

The West Virginia Emergency Management Division (WVEMD) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) encourage storm-affected residents in Lewis, Pleasants, Ritchie, and Upshur counties to utilize in-person services while available. While in-person visits are not required to apply for assistance, DRCs offer direct, face-to-face support from FEMA and Small Business Administration (SBA) representatives.

**Disaster Recovery Center Operational Updates:**

- Pleasants County DRC: Will CLOSE PERMANENTLY at the end of business on Friday, September 25, 2026.
- Lewis & Upshur County DRCs: Effective Saturday, September 26, 2026, hours will change to Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. These locations will remain open through October 3, 2026.

**Disaster Recovery Center Locations:**

- Lewis County: Former Summit Center — 37 Elizabeth St., Weston, WV
- Pleasants County: Pleasants County Senior Center — 209 2nd St., St. Marys, WV
- Upshur County: Upshur County Development Authority — 21 E. Main St., Buckhannon, WV
- Pop-Up Site (Lewis County): Marketplace (Old Kroger) — 354 Market Place Mall, Weston, WV (Open Wednesday–Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

- Pop-Up Site (West Virginia Wesleyan College Football Game): Saturday, October 3, 2026 from noon - 4:00 p.m. on-site at WVWC

**Application Deadline & Alternate Registration Options:**

Residents affected by the July 21–22 storms must apply for FEMA disaster assistance by **11:59 p.m. on October 3rd, 2026**.

If unable to visit a DRC, residents can register through any of the following methods:

- Online: Visit [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://DisasterAssistance.gov)
- Phone: Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362
- Mobile App: Download the official FEMA app on iOS or Android

For additional information please contact WVEMD at [emd.wv.gov](https://emd.wv.gov), call 304-558-5380, or follow the official WVEMD Facebook Page.

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