

# **SBA Disaster Assistance Approved for Jefferson and Surrounding Counties**

April 25, 2014

MONTGOMERY – Governor Robert Bentley on Friday announced that Jefferson and surrounding counties are approved for disaster assistance in the form of low-interest rate loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration. The approval is based on continued damage assessments from a line of severe storms and flooding that moved through Alabama on April 6-10.

“Cleanup continues in several communities across Jefferson County, and this assistance from the SBA will go a long way in helping our communities recover from the flooding in April” Governor Bentley said. “There is help available for homeowners, businesses and nonprofit organizations that suffered damage from the flooding. From the time the flooding began, to seeking today’s disaster declaration from the SBA, we have been working with affected communities and connecting them with any resource we can.”

This SBA disaster declaration covers Jefferson county and the following contiguous counties: Shelby, Bibb, Tuscaloosa, Walker, Blount and St. Clair.

Those interested in applying for SBA low-interest rate loans can receive more information by calling the SBA’s Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (or 800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing). Additional information, including SBA disaster loan fact sheets, can be found on the SBA’s website at [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov).

“It is important for all families and businesses in Jefferson County and the six surrounding counties to understand they may be eligible for financial low interest loan assistance from the SBA,” Alabama EMA Director Art Faulkner said.

## **DISASTER LOAN OUTREACH CENTER JEFFERSON COUNTY**

### **Hoover Fire Administration Office**

2020 Valleydale Road, Suite 201

Hoover, Alabama 35244

Opening: Friday, April 25, 2014

Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Days and Hours: Friday, April 25, 2014 through Thursday, May 1, 2014

Hours: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Saturday, April 26, 2014 – 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Closed on Sunday, April 27, 2014