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News Release

Build Back Better: Tips at South Florida Home Improvement Stores

ORLANDO, Fla. – FEMA specialists will be available in the locations below to answer questions and offer tips and techniques for building hazard-resistant homes to help prevent or reduce damage from future disasters. Most information is geared toward do-it-yourself work and general contractors. Topics will include rebuilding flooded homes, elevating utilities and flood insurance.

Free reference booklets with information about protecting a home from flood damage will also be available. More information about protecting property can be found at <u>www.fema.gov/protect-your-property</u>.

FEMA advisors will be available at the following stores Jan. 8 – Jan. 20, 2018. The teams will also be there Jan. 15, Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

County	Location	Hours
Broward	Lowe's 130 N. University Drive Pembroke Pines, FL 33024	Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Miami-Dade	Home Depot 7899 W. Flagler St. Miami, FL 33144	Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Miami-Dade	Lowe's 9191 SW 137 th Ave. Miami, FL 33186	Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Palm Beach	Lowe's 103 South State Road 7 Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411	Monday- Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800-462-7585.

FEMA's temporary housing assistance and grants for public transportation expenses, medical and dental expenses, and funeral and burial expenses do not require individuals to apply for an SBA loan. However, applicants who receive SBA loan applications must submit them to SBA to be eligible for assistance that covers personal property, vehicle repair or replacement, and moving and storage expenses.

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