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Recovery News

Temporary Roofing - “Operation Blue Roof”- Application Centers To Close on Oct. 31

Orlando, Fla.--The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers application centers for temporary roofing installations will close at the end of the day on Sunday, Oct. 31. These centers are currently located in Brevard, Hendry, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, St. Lucie, and Volusia counties.

The temporary roofing assistance, often called “Operation Blue Roof” because of the blue plastic sheeting used, is provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and State Emergency Response Team (SERT) through the Corps of Engineers. Until they can arrange for permanent repairs, homeowners with hurricane damaged roofs can have a blue plastic temporary roof installed **FREE OF CHARGE** by Corps contractors.

The complete list of temporary roofing application centers and their hours of operation can be accessed at www.saj.usace.army.mil/blueroof_frances-jeanne.htm. The centers are open seven days a week. Owners with damage can also call the Corps’ toll free customer service phone line at 1-866-264-8742 for a listing of the application centers. Homeowners who are disabled or cannot physically visit an application center can also 1-866-264-8742 for assistance.

Some quick facts about Operation Blue Roof temporary roofing:

- To qualify for Blue Roof services, damage to the roof must be less than 50 percent and the area to be covered must be structurally sound and safe for construction crews to access and work.
- The homeowner must complete and sign a Right of Entry form to allow government and contract employees on their property.
- The Corps is covering roofs as quickly as possible, but it takes time. The Corps will respond to every person who has applied for temporary roofing as rapidly as possible.

The Operation Blue Roof temporary roofing program is provided by FEMA and managed by the Corps of Engineers. ***This service is provided at no cost to the property owner.***

For information on SERT, go to www.floridadisaster.org; FEMA, go to www.fema.gov; USACE, go to www.hq.usace.army.mil/cepa/hurricane/emergency.htm.

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