

PRESS RELEASE

**Disaster Unemployment Assistance available for victims of Hurricane Gustav  
Lafayette Workforce Investment Board News Update**

**Lafayette, La. (September 9, 2008)** - People whose jobs have been lost or interrupted because of the disaster in the 36 parishes eligible for individual disaster assistance as a result of Hurricane Gustav also may be eligible for Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) .

Those eligible must file DUA applications within 30 days of this announcement. The deadline to file is Oct 6, 2008. Applications submitted later may be denied.

Those filing new Disaster Unemployment Assistance claims should call 1-866-783-5567. The call center will operate from 6 a.m. - 10 p.m., seven days a week until further notice.

The Lafayette Business and Career Solutions Center located at 706 East Vermillion Street, Lafayette, LA.—phone# 337-262-5601—also can help people file claims. The Center is open and will be staffed seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to assist job seekers and employers.

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