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Rep. Ford Secures Partnerships with Local Community Schools to Help Local Flood Victims Complete Online Applications for Assistance from FEMA

CHICAGO, IL– Rep. La Shawn K. Ford (D-Chicago) has secured partnerships with seven local schools that will allow local residents to complete online applications for assistance from FEMA on Friday, August 27th from 5 p.m. To 7 p.m.

“During this recession, we must pull together all of the necessary resources to help people who need it most,” said Rep. Ford. “Some senior citizens and other residents without access to a computer or phone lines cannot miss out on the help that has been promised just because they lack access to a phone or a computer. I want to thank the participating school principals for their partnership to help the community this Friday afternoon.”

Ford has partnered with 7 local schools, Hay Elementary, Leland Elementary, May Elementary, McNair Elementary, Spencer Elementary, Christ the King Jesuit College Prep, and West Side Learning Center of Malcolm X College, to provide internet access to help residents register for assistance online. The computer labs will open at 5 p.m. Residents are asked to bring a picture ID, Social Security numbers for everyone in the household ages 18 and older; gross income for everyone in the household ages 18 and older; address and phone number where damages occurred; how FEMA can contact the applicant; and insurance company name and type.

Assistance is also available by calling 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or 1-800-462-7585 (TTY) for the hearing and speech impaired. The toll-free telephone numbers will operate from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. (local time) seven days a week until further notice.

For more information, contact Ford’s constituent service center at (773) 378-5902.

Who:	Rep. La Shawn K. Ford
What:	FEMA Application Assistance
When:	Friday, August 27, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
Where:	Hay Elementary – 1018 N. Laramie Ave. Leland Elementary – 5221 W. Congress Pkwy. May Elementary – 512 S. Lavergne McNair Elementary – 4820 W. Walton Spencer Elementary – 241 N. Lavergne Christ the King Jesuit College Prep. – 5088 W. Jackson West Side Learning Center-Malcolm X – 4624 W. Madison

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