Renters Can Apply for FEMA Assistance

Renters in Hancock, Hinds, Humphreys, Madison, Neshoba and Scott counties whose homes and property were damaged by the April 8-11, 2024, severe storms and tornadoes can apply for FEMA disaster assistance.

FEMA Individual Assistance is available to renters, including students, as well as homeowners with uninsured losses from the April severe storms and tornadoes.

FEMA grants can help pay for temporary housing. Renters may also qualify for a grant under FEMA's Other Needs Assistance program for uninsured essential personal property losses and other disaster-related expenses. These may include:

- Replacement or repair of necessary personal property, such as furniture, appliances, clothing, textbooks or school supplies.
- Replacement or repair of tools and other job-related equipment required by the self-employed.
- If your primary vehicle was damaged by the storms and is no longer operable (and the vehicle complies with state registration and insurance requirements) FEMA may be able to help. Not all damage is covered so check with FEMA to see if your vehicle is eligible.
- Uninsured or out-of-pocket medical, dental, childcare, moving and storage expenses.

You can apply to online at disasterassistance.gov, by calling the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362, or by using the FEMA mobile app. If you use a relay service, such as video relay (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA your number for that service. Assistance is available in most languages.

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