



Daily Fact Sheet 10 – Texas Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds, Tornadoes and Flooding

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Key Messages

- FEMA has approved \$37.8 million in assistance to help nearly 21,000 Texas households with recovery from the storms and flooding.
- Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) is available for eligible applicants in Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity and Walker counties.
- Homeowners and renters in Calhoun, Collin, Cooke, Denton, Eastland, Guadalupe, Hardin, Harris, Jasper, Jones, Lamar, Liberty, Montague, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, Walker, and Waller counties with uninsured losses from the storms that began April 26 may be eligible for FEMA assistance.
- Texans do not have to visit a Disaster Recovery Center to register for FEMA assistance. To apply, homeowners and renters can:
 - Go online to disasterassistance.gov/
 - Download the [FEMA App](#) for mobile devices
 - Call the FEMA helpline at 800-621-3362 between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. Help is available in most languages. If you use a relay service, such as video relay (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA your number for that service.
 - Visit any Disaster Recovery Center. For locations and hours, go online to fema.gov/drc

Disaster Recovery Centers

Disaster Recovery Centers offer one-on-one help to Texans affected by the storms. All centers are accessible to people with disabilities or access and functional needs and are equipped with assistive technology. If you need a reasonable accommodation or sign language interpreter, call 833-285-7448 (press 2 for Spanish). All centers are open 7 a.m.–7 p.m., seven days a week.

Harris County

- Fonde Recreation Community Center, 110 Sabine St., Houston, TX 77007
- Leon Z Grayson Community Center, 13828 Corpus Christi St., Houston, TX 77015
- Spring Branch Family Development Center, 8575 Pitner Road, Houston, TX 77080
- Thomas A. Glazier Senior Education Center, 16600 Pine Forest Ln., Houston, TX 77084

Liberty County

- Jack Hartel Building, 318 San Jacinto St., Liberty, TX 77575



San Jacinto County

- Innovation Center, 250 Live Oak Coldspring, TX 77331

Trinity County

- Trinity ISD Boardroom, 101 W. Jefferson St., Trinity, TX 75862

Transitional Sheltering Assistance

FEMA has activated Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) for Texans displaced by recent storms in Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity and Walker counties. Residents in these counties who have applied for disaster assistance may be eligible to stay temporarily in a hotel or motel paid for by FEMA. Applicants do not need to request this assistance. FEMA will notify them of their eligibility through an automated phone call, text message, and/or email, depending upon the method of communication they selected at the time of application for disaster assistance.

Texans – Be Alert to Fraud After a Disaster

Thieves may try to apply for FEMA assistance using names, addresses and Social Security numbers they have stolen from survivors. If you did not apply for assistance, but receive a letter from FEMA, please call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362**. The Helpline will submit a request to stop any further processing of that application.

SBA Business Recovery Centers

Applicants may apply online and receive additional disaster assistance information at [SBA.gov/disaster](https://www.sba.gov/disaster). Two centers are currently open in Houston. **Center Hours:** Monday-Friday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Harris County

- University of Houston Downtown (UHD), Marilyn Davies College of Business, 320 North Main Street Room B106, 1st Floor Houston, TX 77002 (*Parking is under the Marilyn Davies College of Business in the Shea Street Building*)
- Trini Mendenhall Community Center, 1414 Wirt Road, Houston, TX 77055

FEMA Assistance

Money provided by FEMA does not have to be repaid and may include:

- **Serious Needs:** Money for lifesaving and life-sustaining items, including water, food, first aid, prescriptions, infant formula, breastfeeding supplies, diapers, consumable medical supplies, durable medical equipment, personal hygiene items and fuel for transportation.
- **Displacement:** Money to help with housing needs if you cannot return to your home because of the disaster. The money can be used to stay in a hotel, with family and friends or other options while you look for a rental unit.

- **Home Repair or Replacement:** Money to help you repair your home damaged by the disaster. The money can also help with pre-existing damage to parts of your home where the disaster caused further damage.
- **Rental Assistance:** Money you can use to rent housing if you are displaced from your home because of the disaster.
- **Personal Property:** Money to help you repair or replace appliances, room furnishings, and a personal or family computer damaged by the disaster. This can also include money for books, uniforms, tools, additional computers and other items required for school or work, including self-employment.
- **Child Care:** Money to help you pay for increased or child-care expenses caused by the disaster.
- **Transportation:** Money to help you repair or replace a vehicle damaged by the disaster when you don't have another vehicle you can use.
- **Moving and Storage Expenses:** Money to help you move and store personal property from your home to prevent additional damage.

Other State and Federal Assistance

SNAP, WIC Replacement Benefits

- SNAP recipients in designated counties may be eligible for replacement benefits but must apply by June 17. To apply, recipients can dial 2-1-1 and select Option 2.
- WIC recipients can have food and formula benefits replaced through May 31. Families can visit [TexasWIC.org](https://www.texaswic.org) or call 800-942-3678 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and select Option 3 to speak with an operator who will help find an open location.

Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)

- Individuals in designated counties affected by the storms can apply for benefits online through [Unemployment Benefit Services](#) or by calling Texas Workforce Commission at **800-939-6631** between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Applications for DUA benefits under this declaration must be submitted by July 16.

State and FEMA Social Media Channels and Websites

- [Texas Division of Emergency Management Facebook \(@TxDEM\)](#)
- [Texas Division of Emergency Management Twitter \(@TDEM\)](#)
- [Texas Division of Emergency Management Instagram \(@tdemtv\)](#)
- [FEMA Region 6 Facebook \(@femaregion6\)](#)
- [FEMA Region 6 Twitter \(@femaregion6\)](#)
- [DR-4781-TX Disaster Website](#)

Major Disaster Declaration Timeline (May 17, 2024)

- On May 17, seven Texas counties, **Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, and Walker** designated for Individual Assistance.
- On May 20, seven Texas counties, **Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, and Walker**, were approved for Emergency Protective Measures (Category B) limited to direct federal assistance (DFA) under the Public Assistance Program.

- On May 21, **Eastland, Hardin, Jasper, Jones, Lamar, and Waller counties** were added to the Individual Assistance declaration.
- On May 22, **Calhoun and Guadalupe** counties were added to the Individual Assistance declaration.
- On May 23, **Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, Polk, San Jacinto, Trinity, and Walker** counties were approved for **all categories** of Public Assistance.
- On May 27, **Collin, Cooke, Denton, and Montague** counties were approved for Individual Assistance
- All 254 Texas counties are eligible to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance.

FEMA Products

- News Release 001: [FEMA Disaster Assistance Available for Texans](#)
- News Release 002: [Serious Needs Assistance Available for Storm Survivors in Texas](#)
- News Release 003: [FEMA Assistance is Available at Fonde Community Center in Houston](#)
- News Release 004: [FEMA Meeting Texans Where They Are](#)
- News Release 005: [FEMA Assistance is Available at Spring Branch Family Development Center](#)
- News Release 006: [FEMA Assistance Available to More Texas Survivors](#)
- News Release 007: [FEMA Calls May Come from Unfamiliar Phone Numbers](#)
- News Release 008: [Calhoun, Guadalupe Counties Eligible for FEMA Assistance](#)
- News Release 009: [Disaster Recovery Centers Open in Harris and San Jacinto Counties](#)
- News Release 010: [Texans – Be Alert to Fraud After a Disaster](#)
- News Release 011: [Disaster Recovery Center Opens in Houston](#)
- News Release 012: [Texas Survivors Can Apply for an SBA Loan](#)
- News Release 013: [Disaster Recovery Center Opens in Houston](#)
- News Release 014: [Disaster Recovery Centers Open in Harris, Liberty, Trinity Counties](#)
- News Release 015: [Collin, Cooke, Denton, Montague Counties Eligible for FEMA Assistance](#)
- News Release 016: [Texans May Be Eligible for Transitional Sheltering in Hotels](#)
- Fact Sheet 001: [Updates to FEMA Programs for People with Disabilities](#)
- Media Advisory 001: [Disaster Recovery Centers Will Be Open Memorial Day](#)

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FEMA Civil Rights Office works to ensure assistance is distributed equitably, without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status. Any disaster survivor or member of the public may contact the Civil Rights Office if they feel that they are the victim of discrimination. FEMA's Civil Rights Office can be contacted toll-free at 833-285-7448. Multilingual operators are available upon request. For Spanish, press 2.