

Application Deadline Passes but FEMA is Still Here to Help Alabama Survivors

PRATTVILLE, Ala. – The March 16 deadline for applying for FEMA Individual Assistance has passed, but that does not mean FEMA is leaving. FEMA will continue working with Alabama Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) to help survivors and communities in the recovery process.

If you live in Autauga, Coosa, Dallas, Elmore, Greene, Hale, Mobile, Morgan, Sumter and Tallapoosa counties and applied for help with FEMA due to damage from the Jan. 12 storms, FEMA encourages you to keep in touch.

This way you can track the progress of your case, notify the agency of changes to your mailing or email addresses or phone numbers, and report insurance settlements or additional damage you may have discovered since your home inspection.

Here's how to reach FEMA:

- ■ ■ Online at DisasterAssistance.gov or DisasterAssistance.gov/es (for Spanish)
- Call 800-621-3362. The helpline is open, and help is available from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Central Time, seven days a week, 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.
 - ■ Download the [FEMA Mobile App](#) in English and [Spanish](#).

The application deadline for a U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) low-interest physical disaster loan also has passed.

The deadline for small business owners to apply for an Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) is Oct. 16, 2023.



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You may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via the SBA's secure website at disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/. Paper applications may be requested by calling the SBA Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955. If you are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services or send an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

As of Friday, **March 17**, 2023:

- FEMA had approved more than **\$6.7 million** for households and individuals.
- SBA had approved more than **\$6.9 million** in low-interest disaster loans for homeowners, renters and business owners.

FEMA, AEMA, and SBA operated 11 disaster recovery centers, all of which are now closed. More than **2,300** people visited the centers throughout the 10 designated counties to receive information and advice for their recovery.

In addition, Disaster Survivor Assistance teams visited more than **11,300** homes and talked to more than **6,800** survivors about how FEMA can help in their recovery efforts, to answer survivors' questions and, if needed, to help survivors apply.

For information on Alabama's disaster recovery, visit fema.gov/disaster/4684. Follow FEMA on Twitter at [@femaregion4](https://twitter.com/femaregion4) / [Twitter](https://twitter.com/femaregion4) and at facebook.com/fema.

