

# More Than \$58.5 Million in Federal Assistance Already Approved for Southeast Michiganders

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**CHICAGO** – More than \$58.5 million has already been approved in FEMA grants and U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) disaster loans to help residents affected by the June 25-26, 2021 flooding in southeast Michigan.

Here is a snapshot of the disaster recovery effort as of August 4:

- More than 17,240 households have been approved for \$51.2 million in FEMA grant funding, including:
  - More than \$43.6 million in housing grants, including short-term rental assistance and home repair costs.
  - Nearly \$7.59 million approved for other essential disaster-related needs such as expenses related to medical, dental and lost personal possessions.
- More than 26,588 home inspections have been completed.
- Five Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) and two Document Drop-off Centers (DDCs) have been opened in the declared areas of Wayne and Washtenaw counties, to provide individuals with in-person help through their application process. Mobile Registration Centers are also popping up, the most recent one at the VA Medical Center in Detroit.
- Mitigation specialists have spoken with more than 500 individuals in two hardware stores providing advice on preventing flood damage and removing mold and mildew.
- National Flood Insurance Program has paid out more than \$365,400 in flood insurance
- The SBA has approved \$7.3 million in low-interest disaster loans, with more than 243 loan applications approved.

Individuals in Washtenaw and Wayne counties with uninsured or under insured losses from the June 25 -26 storms are encouraged to apply for federal assistance.



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There are several ways to start the process:

1. Online at [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://DisasterAssistance.gov);
2. Using the [FEMA App](#); or
3. Call 800-621-3362 (including 711 or Video Relay). TTY users can call 800-462-7585. The toll-free numbers are open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. ET, seven days a week. Multilingual operators are available.
4. DRCs are open, to find your nearest center visit FEMA's DRC locator page at <https://gateway.fema.gov/ESF6/DRCLocator>.

Anyone requiring a reasonable accommodation (American Sign Language interpreting, Braille, Large print, etc.) may call 800-621-3362 to request assistance in advance or ask the recovery staff at the center for assistance.

For more information about Michigan's recovery, visit [www.fema.gov/disaster/4607](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4607). The deadline for individuals to apply for disaster assistance is Sept. 13, 2021.

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