Disaster Recovery Progress in Jefferson and Shelby Counties

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CLANTON, Ala. – It's been nearly two months since President Biden issued a federal disaster declaration for Jefferson and Shelby Counties following the severe storms and flooding that occurred Oct. 6-7, 2021. In that time, local, state, and federal partners have been working to ensure disaster survivors receive the assistance they need. So far, more than **\$14.1M** in federal funds have been approved for disaster survivors in Jefferson and Shelby Counties. Residents in these counties can still apply for assistance with FEMA through **Monday, Feb. 21** by calling 800-621-3362 or going online at <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>.

Individual Assistance in Jefferson and Shelby Counties:

349 homeowners and renters have been approved for **\$1,721,554** in federal grants through FEMA's Individual and Households Program. This includes:

- \$1,596,677 in Housing Assistance grants for home repair, home replacement, and/or rental assistance.
- \$124,877 in Other Needs Assistance grants to replace essential household items and for other critical disaster-related costs.
- **118** homeowners and renters have been approved for rental assistance.
- **750** home inspections issued; **727** completed.

National Flood Insurance Program:

 NFIP has paid \$9,256,275 to policyholders who filed claims in Jefferson and Shelby Counties.

U.S. Small Business Administration:

61 applicants have been approved for \$3,195,300 in low-interest loans through the SBA disaster loan program. Homeowners, renters, businesses, and private non-profits should apply for physical property and personal property loans at:



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https://disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/ela/s/ through Feb. 21.

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