

# FEMA Issues Public Notice for Counties Affected by Dec. 31-Jan. 2 Tornadoes

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**FRANKFORT, Ky.** – A public notice is now available that addresses FEMA's intention to reimburse eligible applicants in 13 counties in Kentucky on a cost-sharing basis for emergency work and the repair and/or replacement of facilities damaged in the **Dec. 31-Jan. 2** tornadoes and flooding.

The public notice is now posted on FEMA's Kentucky disaster website as [FEMA Public Notice](#). The notice describes proposed activities that may affect historic properties and activities and critical actions that may affect wetlands and floodplains.

On Feb. 27, the president approved a disaster declaration for Kentucky for the late December-early January tornadoes and flooding.

The following 13 counties were designated for the FEMA Public Assistance program: **Boyd, Breathitt, Carter, Christian, Clay, Floyd, Green, Johnson, Knott, Lawrence, Owsley, Pike and Taylor.**

FEMA is required by law to share the public notice of its intent to provide federal assistance and grant opportunities through its Public Assistance program and its Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Under the Public Assistance program, FEMA reimburses eligible applicants for eligible costs to repair and/or replace publicly owned facilities and the facilities of certain private nonprofit organizations that sustained damage in the **Dec. 31-Jan. 2** tornadoes. The program also encourages protection of these damaged facilities from future events by providing assistance for hazard mitigation measures.

Under Public Assistance Category A-G, eligible applicants in the 13 counties can seek reimbursement for emergency debris removal; emergency work to protect lives and secure property; and for permanent work projects.



FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, or funding for use in mitigating future hazards, is available statewide.

To obtain information about FEMA's actions or a specific project, write to the **U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency – Region IV - EHP, 3005 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta, GA 30341-4112** or send an email to [FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-R4EHP@fema.dhs.gov). Please include in the subject line of the email “**DR 4643-KY.**”

