One Week Left to Apply for FEMA Individual Assistance

Helena, Mont. – Montana residents in Carbon, Park, Stillwater, and Yellowstone counties with uninsured losses resulting from June's severe storms and flooding have until **Aug. 29, 2022** to apply for FEMA disaster assistance by going online at <u>disasterassistance.gov</u>, calling 800-621-3362 or using the <u>FEMA mobile app</u>. If you use a relay service, such as video relay (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA the number for that service.

Disaster Recovery Centers in the following locations can help with applications and provide face-to-face information and guidance about disaster assistance:

- Yellowstone County: United Way of Yellowstone County, 2173 Overland Ave., Billings, MT 59102. Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday – Saturday (closed on Sunday) (note our updated hours). THIS LOCATION WILL CLOSE MONDAY, AUG. 29 AT 6 p.m.
- Carbon County: Church of the Rockies, 7193 US Hwy 212, Red Lodge, MT 59068.
- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday Friday, Aug. 23- Aug. 26

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27

(CLOSED on Sunday, Aug. 28)

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday. Aug. 29

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The end of the individual assistance application period and the closure of DRCs does not mean the end of assistance to Montanans.

The State of Montana and Montana Disaster & Emergency Services will also continue to provide valuable resources to survivors at floodrecovery.mt.gov.



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This page is devoted to state resources currently available to survivors and will be where future endeavors are announced.

 Those who have applied for assistance through FEMA, should update FEMA with any changes to the situation by visiting disasterassistance.gov, calling 800-621-3362 or by using the <u>FEMA mobile app</u>.

As of Aug. 22:

- FEMA has approved over \$2.4 million in assistance to individuals and households.
- The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved more than \$8.9 million in disaster loans for homeowners, renters, and businesses.
- The National Flood Insurance Program has received 105 claims and paid \$4.2 million.

Long-term, low-interest disaster loans for homeowners, renters, businesses, and nonprofits from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) may be available to cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other sources.

Homeowners and renters should submit an SBA disaster loan application even if they are not sure they will need or want a loan. If SBA cannot approve your application, in most cases you will be referred to FEMA's Other Needs Assistance program for possible additional assistance.

Aug. 29, 2022 is the deadline to apply to the SBA for physical property damage. The deadline to apply for economic injury is **March 30, 2023**.

SBA is operating Business Recovery Centers (BRC) where applicants can meet with SBA representatives and get help applying for any of SBA's low-interest disaster loans. BRCs are open in the following locations:

- Park County: Gardiner Community Center, 208 W. Main St. Gardiner, MT 59030. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday – Friday.
- Park County: Livingston Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center, 303
 East Park St. Livingston, MT 59047. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday Friday.
- Park County: Super 8 Motel by Wyndham, Conference Center, 303 East Main St., Cooke City, MT 59020. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday – Friday. (This location will close August 23 at 6 p.m.)



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Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via the SBA's secure website at <u>disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/ela</u>. For more information or assistance with SBA disaster assistance please contact SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email <u>disastercustomerservice@sba.gov</u>. For people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

For an accessible video on how to apply for FEMA assistance, go to youtube.com/watch?v=WZGpWI2RCNw.

If you have additional questions, contact the disaster assistance helpline at 800-621-3362 to speak with a representative or visit a disaster recovery center. To find a location near you, visit <u>FEMA.gov/DRC</u>.

Contact the FEMA Mitigation Helpline at 833-FEMA-4-US (833-336-2487) for information on resilient building practices. Mitigation specialists are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. MDT. You can also email the team at FEMA-R8-Hmhelp@fema.dhs.gov.

For more information about FEMA's support to Montana's flooding and severe storms recovery, visit <u>www.fema.gov/disaster/4655</u>. Follow the FEMA Region 8 Twitter account at <u>https://twitter.com/femaregion8</u>.



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