## **Personal Property and FEMA Assistance**

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**Atlanta** – FEMA assistance is limited to basic needs. It will not restore all property lost or damaged due to <u>Tropical Storm Debby</u> or <u>Hurricane Helene</u>. Insurance coverage is the best way to recover after a disaster. However, FEMA assistance for personal property may be available if you are uninsured or underinsured.

## **Types of Assistance**

**Appliances**: Includes standard household appliances, such as a refrigerator, washing machine, etc.

**Clothing**: Essential clothing needed due to loss, damage or contamination.

**Home Furnishings**: Basic furnishings found in a bedroom, kitchen, bathroom and living room.

**Tools Required for Work and School**: Tools and equipment required for your job and items required for educational purposes. This assistance also applies to self-employed individuals.

**Computing Devices**: This includes one personal or family computer. You may be eligible for funds for additional computers required for work or school that were damaged by the disaster.

**Accessible Items**: FEMA provides assistance for damaged personal property required for eligible applicants with disabilities.

## **Eligibility Conditions**

Items must have been owned prior to the Georgia disaster declarations.

Items were owned and being used by occupants of the household.



- FEMA may not repair or replace a storm-damaged item if you own a similar item that works.
- FEMA does not provide assistance for furnishings and/or appliances provided by a landlord.
- Items used by guests and relatives who were not members of the pre-disaster household are not eligible for assistance.

There are four ways to apply for FEMA disaster assistance: call toll-free 800-621-3362, go online to <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, download the <u>FEMA App</u> or visit a <u>Disaster Recovery Center</u>. Help on the phone line is available in most languages. If you use a relay service such as VRS, captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA your number for that service. The deadline for applications is **Jan. 7**, **2025**.

To view an accessible video about how to apply visit: <u>Three Ways to Register for FEMA Disaster Assistance - YouTube.</u>

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