One Week Left to Apply for Disaster Individual Assistance

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Anchorage, Alaska – Residents of the Regional Educational Attendance Areas of Bering Strait, Kashunamiut, Lower Kuskokwim and Lower Yukon have until Dec. 6 to apply for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and State of Alaska disaster assistance. To receive disaster Individual Assistance, you must apply before the deadline.

Make sure you register with both FEMA and the State of Alaska to be eligible for Individual Assistance.

- **FEMA Hotline: 1-866-342-1699** (Monday through Friday, 9 AM 6 PM AKT.)
 - FEMA Hotline TTY users can dial 711 or, TTY users with an out-of-state area code, dial **800-770-8973** for Alaska relay service.
- State of Alaska Hotline: 1-844-445-7131 (Monday through Friday 8 AM 4 PM AKT.)

Don't forget – the hotline is a helpline! Call to apply, get help with an existing application, or have your questions answered.

There are other ways you can apply for disaster assistance:

- Applications for FEMA Individual Assistance can also be submitted at www.disasterassistance.gov or via the FEMA mobile app.
- To apply for **State of Alaska Individual Assistance** survivors can go online to ready.alaska.gov/IA.

Residents who applied for disaster assistance from FEMA may be referred to SBA to apply for a low-interest disaster loan as the next step in the application process.



Long-term, low-interest disaster loans for businesses, nonprofits, homeowners, and renters may be available to cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other sources. You are not required to take out a loan, but failure to fill out the application may prevent you from receiving certain types of FEMA funding.

Applicants may apply for SBA, receive additional disaster assistance information and download applications at https://disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance. For people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

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For more information about FEMA's support to Alaska's severe storms, flooding and landslide recovery, visit the <u>FEMA Disaster Site</u>. Follow FEMA Region 10 on Twitter and LinkedIn for the latest updates.

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