## FEMA Is Trying to Reach You — Be Sure the Agency Has Your Right Number

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If you were affected by Hurricane Idalia and applied for FEMA disaster assistance, FEMA may be trying to reach you but may not have your current contact information. Having this information is important in case FEMA needs more information from you or needs to arrange a home inspection to verify damage.

## The deadline to apply for Hurricane Idalia FEMA disaster assistance is November 6, 2023.

An application with incorrect or outdated information is one of the most common reasons for a determination of denial of FEMA assistance. If you have changed your phone number, residence or email address, you should update your FEMA application right away.

It is also important for FEMA to have your right contact number because they may not have been able to verify your identity, your ownership, or occupancy of your hurricane-damaged home. It is also possible that you did not submit a required document or information.

To ensure your information is correct or to update your information, you can:

- Visit <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, click the green icon labeled "Check Status," and follow the prompts to access your account or create an account.
- Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362.
- Visit a Disaster Recovery Center. To find a center near you, text "DRC" and your Zip Code to 43362 or visit <u>fema.gov/drc</u>.

You should also update FEMA concerning changes in insurance, banking information and your payment preference (check by mail or direct deposit). Missing or wrong information could delay the financial assistance you may be eligible to receive. When contacting FEMA, refer to the nine-digit number assigned to you when you applied.



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