Hurricane Ida Survivors Must Apply with FEMA – Just Once – for Housing Eligibility

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Hurricane Ida survivors who have applied with FEMA for disaster assistance may be considered for FEMA's direct temporary housing.

There is no need to apply more than once, and no additional application is required to be considered for housing.

Once a survivor has applied, FEMA will call eligible applicants whose homes were destroyed or are unlivable to discuss housing needs and to determine the next steps.

Survivors who have not applied for disaster assistance previously can do so online, by phone or at a Disaster Recovery Center.

- Visit www.DisasterAssistance.gov or use the FEMA Mobile App
- Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585)
- Find a DRC closest you at www.FEMA.gov/DRC

Those who use a relay service, such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service. Multilingual operators are available.

FEMA has approved direct temporary housing assistance for 10 parishes: Jefferson, Lafourche, Livingston, Plaquemines, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, Tangipahoa and Terrebonne. This program makes several direct temporary housing options available to eligible Louisiana survivors.

Implementing FEMA's direct temporary housing program may take months to complete. Site and floodplain assessments, utility installation and construction, among other things, are required before the units can be available.



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Louisiana's Hurricane Ida Sheltering Program

Louisiana's Hurricane Ida Sheltering Program is a state-managed program, which may offer an interim solution towards Ida survivors' recovery. The state's program provides temporary non-congregate sheltering for individuals and families.

The program focuses on homeowners and renters in the hardest-hit parishes whose homes are unlivable or destroyed due to disaster damage. Louisiana residents can register for the state program by visiting <u>Idashelteringla.com</u> or calling (844) 268-0301. A resident is not required to apply for FEMA assistance, but it is highly recommended.



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