

What to Expect After You Apply for FEMA Assistance

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If you live in Leon County and were affected by the May 10 severe storms and tornadoes, FEMA may be able to help with temporary housing expenses, basic home repairs or other essential disaster-related needs that are not covered by insurance.

There are several ways to apply: Go online to DisasterAssistance.gov, use the [FEMA App](#), in-person at a [Disaster Recovery Center](#) or call 800-621-3362. If you use a relay service, give FEMA your number for that service.

FEMA will ask for:

- A current phone number where you can be contacted.
- Your damaged dwelling address at the time of the disaster and where you are currently staying.
- Your Social Security Number.
- A general list of damage and losses.
- Banking information if you choose direct deposit.
- If insured, the type of insurance you have and the insurance company name.

Home Inspections

If you have homeowners, renters or flood insurance, you should file a claim as soon as possible. FEMA cannot duplicate benefits for losses covered by insurance. If your policy does not cover all your damage expenses, you may be eligible for federal assistance.

If you report that you cannot, or may not be able to, safely live in your home, FEMA may need to perform an inspection of the damaged dwelling. The inspection will be conducted at the site of the damaged dwelling. A FEMA Housing Inspector will contact you and schedule an appointment to assess the damage to your dwelling. The call may come from an unknown or out of area number.



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Stay in Touch with FEMA

If you applied for FEMA assistance, ensure that FEMA has your current contact information. FEMA may need to contact you for additional information. If your contact information has changed, you should update your FEMA application immediately. You can do so online at your [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://disasterassistance.gov) account or call 800-621-3362.

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