Personal Property and FEMA Assistance

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FEMA assistance is limited to basic needs. It will not restore all property lost due to the Hurricane Debby. 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 education 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 Hurricane Debby and been damaged by the storm.
- Items were owned and being used by occupants of the household.
 - 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 predisaster household are not eligible for assistance.
- FEMA may not repair or replace a storm-damaged item if you own a similar item that works.



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 Visit any Disaster Recovery Center. For locations and hours, go online to fema.gov/drc.

How to Apply

Go online to <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, use the <u>FEMA App</u>, visit a <u>Disaster</u> <u>Recovery Center</u> or call **800-621-3362** any day. Multilingual operators are available. If you use a relay service, captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA your number for that service.



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