

One Week Left for Orange County Residents in N.Y. to Apply for FEMA Assistance

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Homeowners and renters in Orange County who sustained property damage or loss caused by remnants of Hurricane Ida from Sept. 1-3, 2021 have until **Monday, Jan. 31**, to apply for federal disaster assistance.

Federal disaster assistance for individuals and families can include money for rental assistance, essential home repairs, personal property losses, and other serious disaster-related needs not covered by insurance.

If you live in Orange County you can apply for disaster assistance, update contact information, ask questions about a letter from FEMA, get information about FEMA home inspections, or learn how to appeal a FEMA decision using the following three resources:

- Go online at DisasterAssistance.gov;
- Download the FEMA app; or
- Call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362**. If you use video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or another service, give FEMA the number for that service. Helpline operators are available from **7 a.m. to 11 p.m.** daily. Press 2 for Spanish. Press 3 for an interpreter who speaks your language.

The primary source of federal funding for long-term disaster recovery not covered by insurance is the U.S. Small Business Administration. Orange County residents and business owners who were unable to meet the **Jan. 4** SBA application deadline can still apply but must provide a statement on their application



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explaining they are filing late because the county was a late addition to the major disaster declaration. Disaster loan applications can be accessed through SBA's secure website: disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/ela/s/. For more information, applicants may call SBA's Customer Service Center at **800-659-2955**. Individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing may call **800-877-8339**. For more information, email DisasterCustomerService@SBA.gov.

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