FEMA Extends Deadline to Apply for Federal Disaster Assistance

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FRANKFORT, Ky. – Kentucky homeowners and renters who suffered uninsured or underinsured damage to their property from the Dec. 10-11, 2021 storms and tornadoes have another month to apply for federal disaster assistance.

FEMA has extended the application deadline to **Monday**, **March 14** for survivors in **Barren**, **Caldwell**, **Christian**, **Fulton**, **Graves**, **Hart**, **Hickman**, **Hopkins**, **Logan**, **Lyon**, **Marion**, **Marshall**, **Muhlenberg**, **Ohio**, **Taylor** and **Warren** counties. Those who have already applied to FEMA for Dec. 10-11 tornado damage need not apply again.

FEMA assistance for individuals affected by the tornadoes can cover rental assistance, temporary housing, home repairs, personal property losses and other disaster-related needs not covered by insurance. FEMA grants do not have to be repaid. FEMA assistance is nontaxable and will not affect eligibility for Social Security, Medicaid or other federal benefits.

To apply, visit <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, use the <u>FEMA mobile app</u> or call the **FEMA Helpline** at **800-621-3362**. Helpline operators are available 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. CST daily. Press 2 for Spanish. Press 3 for other languages. If you use a relay service such as video relay service (VRS) or captioned telephone service, give FEMA the number for that service. On your smart phone, open the <u>FEMA App</u> and select "Talk to FEMA in person."

You may also visit a FEMA disaster recovery center to apply. Find the nearest recovery center by visiting www.fema.gov/drc or calling the FEMA Helpline.

For an accessible video on how to apply for FEMA assistance, go to youtube.com/watch?v=WZGpWI2RCNw.

Survivors are encouraged to file insurance claims for damage to their homes, personal property and vehicles before they apply for FEMA assistance. FEMA



Individual Assistance cannot duplicate other sources of assistance.

For the latest information on Kentucky's recovery from the tornadoes, visit fema.gov/disaster/4630. Follow FEMA on Twitter at FEMA Region 4 (@femaregion4) / Twitter and at facebook.com/fema.

