

# More than \$5.2 Million Approved for April Tornado Survivors in Mississippi

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**MADISON, Miss.** – One month after a federal disaster declaration was issued for Mississippi, more than \$5.2 million in FEMA assistance has been approved for survivors of the April 8-11, 2024, severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding.

These grants help pay for uninsured and underinsured losses and storm-related damage to eligible homeowners and renters in Hancock, Hinds, Humphreys, Madison, Neshoba and Scott counties. The total includes:

- More than \$2.9 million in Housing Assistance to help pay for home repair, home replacement and rental assistance.
- More than \$2.2 million in Other Needs Assistance to help pay for personal property replacement and other serious storm-related needs, such as moving and storage fees, transportation, childcare and medical and dental expenses.

The State of Mississippi and FEMA have staffed and operated five Disaster Recovery Centers and three Mobile Disaster Recovery Centers in the six designated counties to provide one-on-one assistance to survivors. The centers tallied more than 1,700 visits by survivors.

FEMA has sent Disaster Survivor Assistance teams to storm-affected neighborhoods in every designated county. These teams travel door-to-door in hard-hit neighborhoods helping survivors apply for assistance, identify and address immediate and emerging needs, and make referrals to other local, state, and voluntary agencies for additional support.

FEMA personnel have visited more than 8,500 homes and 300 businesses. FEMA is working to remove barriers to assistance, ensuring all survivors have equal access to disaster aid and resources.

How to Apply for Assistance



Survivors have until August 9, 2024, to apply for assistance. Homeowners and renters can apply for FEMA assistance the following ways:

- Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362. The helpline is available from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Central Time in most languages. If you use video relay service, captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA your number for that service.
- Go online to [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://DisasterAssistance.gov)
- Download the [FEMA mobile app](#)

For the latest information on recovery from the April tornadoes, visit [msema.org](https://msema.org) and [www.fema.gov/disaster/4790](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4790). On X/Twitter follow MEMA [@MSEMA](https://twitter.com/MSEMA) and FEMA Region 4 [@femaregion4](https://twitter.com/femaregion4).



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