

# Deadline to Apply for Hurricane Ian Assistance is January 12

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**LAKE MARY, Fla.** - Hurricane Ian survivors have just one day left to apply for disaster assistance with FEMA and apply for a U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) low-interest disaster loan.

Applications must be received by **11:59 p.m. ET Thursday, Jan. 12, 2023**, to be considered for assistance.

Application and disaster information is still available by calling the FEMA helpline, going online, or using the FEMA mobile app, or visiting a disaster recovery center as follows:

- Call **800-621-3362**. The toll-free number operates from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. ET seven days a week. Help is available in most languages.
- Go online at [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://DisasterAssistance.gov).
- Download the [FEMA App](#).
- Visit a center. You can go online to: [DRC Locator](#) to find one nearby.

The end of the application period does not mean FEMA is leaving. The agency will continue working with the state of Florida to help survivors and communities in their long-term rebuilding and recovery efforts.

Once you've registered, it's important to stay in touch with FEMA to track your application or to notify the agency of changes to your mailing or email addresses or phone numbers, and to report insurance settlements, ongoing unmet needs or additional damage you may have discovered.

FEMA staff may contact you for various reasons, including to discuss your case or request additional information. Answer those phone calls to make sure your application process continues. If you are in any doubt when receiving a call from someone stating they work for FEMA, do not give out any information, but call 800-621-3362 between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m. ET to verify the call is legitimate.



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The SBA helps businesses, private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. To apply for a low-interest disaster loan **before the Jan. 12 deadline**, complete an online application at [disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/](https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/). To reach an SBA Customer Service Representative directly call **800-659-2955**. Email questions to [FOCE-Help@sba.gov](mailto:FOCE-Help@sba.gov). For more information, visit [sba.gov/](https://sba.gov/).

For the latest information on Florida's recovery from Hurricane Ian and Nicole, visit [floridadisaster.org/info](https://floridadisaster.org/info) and [fema.gov](https://fema.gov). Follow [FEMA Region 4 \(@femaregion4\)](#) / Twitter and at [facebook.com/fema](https://facebook.com/fema).

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