

How to Apply for FEMA Assistance

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CHICAGO - Wisconsin homeowners and renters in Milwaukee, Washington and Waukesha counties with uninsured damage to their primary home, personal property loss or disaster-related emergency needs due to the August storms and flooding may apply for FEMA assistance. The deadline to apply is November 12, 2025.

You should first file an insurance claim:

If you have homeowners, renters, or flood insurance, you should file a claim before applying for FEMA assistance. FEMA cannot duplicate benefits for losses covered by insurance. If your policy does not cover all your disaster expenses, you may be eligible for federal assistance.

FEMA Assistance:

FEMA may be able to help if you are displaced, have serious needs, need temporary lodging, require basic home repair costs, lost personal property or have other uninsured disaster-caused needs. **The fastest way to apply is online at DisasterAssistance.gov or the Spanish language DisasterAssistance.gov/es**

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You will need to provide the following information:

- Your contact information.
- Your email address.
- Your address at the time of the disaster and the address where you are now staying.
- Your Social Security number.
- A general list of damage and losses.
- Annual household income.
- Banking information if you choose direct deposit.
- If insured, the policy number or the agent and/or the company name.



If you need more information or additional help:

- Download the [FEMA App](#) to complete your application and find other resources.
- Call the FEMA Helpline at 1-800-621-3362 for assistance in multiple languages.
- In the coming days, the state of Wisconsin and FEMA will be offering one-on-one support to residents in community spaces and recovery centers around the Milwaukee metro area.

If you use a relay service, captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA your number for that service. To view an accessible video on how to apply, visit [What You Need to Know Before Applying for FEMA Assistance](#).

