

Continued Rental Assistance Available to Eligible Storm Survivors

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Tennessee storm survivors who live in **Cannon, Hardeman, Hardin, Haywood, Lewis, Macon, McNairy, Rutherford, Tipton** or **Wayne** counties and received initial rental assistance from FEMA may be eligible for continued rental assistance.

You may be eligible for assistance if you had damage or losses in the **March 31 to April 1, 2023**, severe storms and tornadoes. You may also be eligible if:

- You were awarded initial rental assistance and used it as intended. The initial award covers two months.
- You are unable to return to your pre-disaster residence because it is uninhabitable, cannot be accessed or is not available because of storm damage.
- You cannot pay for housing without assistance.
- You are not receiving temporary housing help from any other source.
- You are developing a longer-term or permanent housing plan or can demonstrate progress toward that plan.

How to Sign Up

Survivors applying for continued assistance must complete an “Application for Continued Temporary Housing Assistance.” To request this form, call the **FEMA Helpline** at **800-621-3362**. Helpline operators speak many languages and lines are open from **6 a.m. to midnight Central Daylight Time daily**. Press 2 for Spanish. Press 3 for an interpreter who speaks your language.

Applicants should submit the following documents with the completed application:

- Pre- and post-disaster income for household members 18 and older.
- Proof of pre-disaster housing costs (copy of lease and utility bills, renter’s insurance, mortgage statements, real estate taxes, homeowner’s insurance, etc.)



- Proof of post-disaster housing costs (copy of current lease or rental agreement signed by the applicant and the landlord, rent receipts and post-disaster utility bills, renters' insurance, etc.).

How to Submit Your Application to FEMA

Return the application form and supporting documents to FEMA in one of the following ways:

- Upload them to your disaster account at **DisasterAssistance.gov**.
- Mail them to **FEMA, P.O. Box 10055, Hyattsville, MD 20782-8055**.
- Fax them to **800-827-8112**.

FEMA will evaluate your request to determine if you are eligible. It is important to keep FEMA updated with your current contact information and housing status.

For the latest information on Tennessee's recovery from the severe storms, straight-line winds and tornadoes, visit [FEMA.gov/Disaster/4701](https://www.fema.gov/Disaster/4701). You may also follow [TN.gov/TEMA](https://www.tn.gov/TEMA); [Twitter.com/TEMA](https://twitter.com/TEMA), [Facebook.com/TNDisasterInfo](https://facebook.com/TNDisasterInfo), [@FEMARegion4/Twitter](https://twitter.com/FEMARegion4) and [Facebook.com/FEMA](https://facebook.com/FEMA).



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