

Mississippi Hurricane Katrina

A Decade of Progress through Partnerships

Stone County



It's been almost ten years since Hurricane Katrina left widespread destruction in Mississippi. In less than 24 hours, more than **234,000** homes in the state were damaged or destroyed and more than **one million people** – a third of the state's population – were affected by the historic storm.

In Stone County, FEMA provided nearly **\$24 million** to individuals and families for rebuilding homes, temporary housing, replacing lost property, medical bills and funeral expenses.

Public Assistance funds have been disbursed for numerous projects across the county, totaling **\$34 million**. In partnership with the state of Mississippi, FEMA provided Stone County with hazard mitigation funds for new community safe rooms and warning sirens.

Today, with the Hurricane Katrina recovery mission nearly complete, Mississippi's new and repaired infrastructure will be **less vulnerable** to future storms than in 2005.



Perkinston Elementary School Shelter
40 2nd St. Perkinston, Miss. 39573

Hurricane Katrina — Aug. 29, 2005

Stone County

Population: 17,962

Nearly \$89 million in FEMA and SBA assistance to county residents

“Hurricane Katrina was a storm of such historic magnitude that it took everything we had, truly dedicated teamwork and creative solutions to recover from it. FEMA was there to assist the state of Mississippi from day one, and we have a strong and genuine partnership with them. Today, we can see the results of our recovery efforts all across the state. We have come a long way, and we did it all working together.”

- Robert Latham, Executive Director - Mississippi Emergency Management Agency

\$34 million
Public Assistance
obligations for projects in
Stone County

Nearly \$24 million
Individual Assistance
provided to survivors

11,164
Survivors assisted with
housing and other need

\$13 million
Hazard Mitigation Grant
Program funding for projects

100 percent
FEMA has paid 100% of the
cost share for Public
Assistance and up to 100
percent for Hazard Mitigation
projects

423
Temporary Housing Units for
displaced families

\$17.4 million
U.S. Small Business
Administration low-interest
disaster loans to survivors
and businesses



FEMA

