

# Recovery Includes a Long-Term Housing Plan

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For Louisiana survivors of hurricanes Laura and Delta, recovery may include FEMA temporary housing assistance. If you are a hurricane Laura or Delta survivor who has been placed in a FEMA-provided housing unit, you will need to show progress toward your long-term housing plan in order to maintain eligibility for FEMA housing assistance.

FEMA's temporary housing assistance comes with periodic checks (every 14-30 days) on the continued need for assistance — and the development of a long-term housing plan is required. FEMA housing occupants without a housing plan will be given information and tools to help them find available housing.

Applicants may qualify for continued temporary housing assistance based on a demonstrated need in addition to having a longer-term or permanent housing plan or have demonstrated progress towards development of a long-term housing plan.

Survivors can show long-term housing plan progress if they:

- Decide whether to repair or rebuild a pre-disaster home, find and purchase a new residence, or find and lease an available rental unit;
- Provide evidence of progress — such as invoices for repairs, application/s for additional funds (SBA, bank, etc.), contract for rebuild or a lease for a new home —or cause for delays outside their control;
- Achieve long-term housing plan goals in a reasonable time frame; and
- Fulfill requests to communicate and meet with FEMA case workers.

Housing applicants should keep cash receipts, credit card receipts, canceled checks or money orders showing proper use of all FEMA assistance.

Applications for continued financial rental assistance will be mailed to homeowners. Renters can call the FEMA helpline to request an application. However, renters should first contact their previous landlord to find out if they will



be permitted to move back into their former dwellings.

Survivors can stay in touch with FEMA by:

- Calling the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585).
- Visiting [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.disasterassistance.gov).
- Downloading the FEMA Mobile App at [fema.gov/about/news-multimedia/app](https://fema.gov/about/news-multimedia/app) or get a link to download it via text messaging on an Android device (text ANDROID to 43362) or Apple device (text APPLE to 43362).

Those who use a relay service such as a videophone, InnoCaption or CapTel should alert FEMA as to the specific number assigned to that service.

For the latest information on Hurricane Laura, visit [fema.gov/disaster/4559](https://fema.gov/disaster/4559). Follow the FEMA Region 6 Twitter account at [twitter.com/FEMARegion6](https://twitter.com/FEMARegion6).

