Disaster Recovery Progress in Jefferson and Shelby Counties

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CLANTON, Ala. – On Dec. 21, 2021 President Biden issued a federal disaster declaration for Jefferson and Shelby Counties following the severe storms and flooding that occurred Oct. 6-7, 2021. Since then, local, state, and federal partners have been hard at work making sure disaster survivors get the assistance they need.

Since the federal disaster declaration for Oct. 6-7 severe storms and flooding, Jefferson and Shelby County residents have received more than **\$9,736,248** in federal funds as of Jan. 7, 2022.

Individual Assistance in Jefferson and Shelby Counties:

213 homeowners and renters have been approved for **\$1,124,514.42** in federal grants through FEMA's Individual and Households Program. This includes:

- \$1,035,582.79 in Housing Assistance grants for home repair, home replacement, and or rental/assistance.
- \$88,931.63 in Other Needs Assistance grants to replace essential household items and for other critical disaster-related costs.
- **85** homeowners and renters have been approved for rental assistance.
- 417 home inspections issued; 355 completed.

Flood Insurance Program:

- NFIP has paid \$8,167,334 to policyholders who filed claims in Jefferson and Shelby Counties.
- 10 households have been approved for \$24,000 for a Group Flood Insurance Policy (GFIP) where FEMA pays the cost of the GFIP directly to the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

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- 10 residents have been approved for \$420,400 in low-interest loans through the SBA disaster home loan program.
- SBA is operating a Business Recovery Center (BRC) at the Hoover Recreation Center:
- Address: 600 Municipal Drive, Hoover, AL 35216.
- Hours of operation: Monday Friday, 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. CST, closed Saturday and Sunday.
- The BRC can assist businesses of all sizes, non-profits, and homeowners or renters with their SBA application.

There's Still Time to Apply

Residents of Jefferson and Shelby counties in Alabama who were affected by the severe storms and flooding that occurred Oct. 6-7, 2021, may apply for FEMA disaster assistance. The deadline to register is **Feb. 21, 2022**.

Residents in the designated counties can apply online at <u>disasterassistance.gov</u>, by calling 800-621-3362 – 6 a.m. to midnight Central Time, or by using the FEMA mobile app. If you use a relay service, such as video relay (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA the number for that service. When you apply, you will need to provide:

- A current phone number where you can be contacted.
- 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.
- Banking information if you choose direct deposit.
- If insured, the policy number or the agent and/or the company name.

For more information about Alabama disaster recovery, visit <u>www.fema.gov/disaster/4632</u>. Follow the FEMA Region 4 Twitter account at twitter.com/femaregion4.



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