

FEMA Approves State's Request to Extend Financial Period of Assistance

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BATON ROUGE, La. – FEMA has approved the state of Louisiana's request to extend the financial period of assistance for eligible Hurricane Ida survivors, including the Individual and Households Program appeal deadline.

- Before the extension, the period of assistance was set to end on March 1, 2023, 18 months following the major disaster declaration (the 18-month period is determined by federal regulations).
- On Feb.24, 2023, GOHSEP requested a three-month extension.
- On March 2, 2023, FEMA approved a three-month extension, authorizing the financial assistance program through June 1st, 2023.
- An extension of the financial period of assistance allows FEMA to continue to provide financial assistance to eligible applicants for an additional three months.
- This extension does not reopen the disaster to new applications for assistance. FEMA is no longer accepting new applications for Hurricane Ida assistance.
- As of March 1, 2023, FEMA has approved more than \$1.2 Billion for individuals and households impacted by Hurricane Ida. That includes \$750 million in housing assistance and an additional \$483 million in other needs assistance for items such as transportation, personal property, moving and storage assistance, childcare and medical and dental expenses.

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