Personal Property and FEMA Assistance

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FEMA assistance is limited to basic needs. It will not restore all property lost due to Hurricane Beryl. Insurance coverage is the best way to recover after a disaster. However, FEMA assistance for personal property may be available if you are uninsured or underinsured.

Types of Assistance

- **Appliances:** Includes standard household appliances, such as a refrigerator, washing machine, etc.
- Clothing: Essential clothing needed due to loss, damage or contamination.
- **Home Furnishings**: Basic furnishings found in a bedroom, kitchen, bathroom and living room.
- Tools Required for Work and School: Tools and equipment required for your job and items required for education purposes. This assistance also applies to self-employed individuals.
- **Computing Devices:** This includes one personal or family computer. You may be eligible for funds for additional computers required for work or school that were damaged by the disaster.
- Accessible Items: FEMA provides assistance for damaged personal property required for eligible applicants with disabilities.

Eligibility Conditions

- Items must have been owned prior to the hurricane and been damaged by it.
- Items were owned and being used by occupants of the household.
- FEMA may not repair or replace a storm-damaged item if you own a similar item that works.
- FEMA does not provide assistance for furnishings and/or appliances provided by a landlord.
- Items used by guests and relatives who were not members of the pre-disaster household are not eligible for assistance.

