

# South Texas Survivors Affected by the March 26-28 Severe Storms and Flooding Can Apply for Possible FEMA Assistance

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**AUSTIN** – FEMA is supporting state and local recovery efforts for South Texas homeowners and renters in four counties who sustained damage from the severe storms and flooding that occurred March 26-28.

Financial assistance is available to eligible homeowners and renters in **Cameron, Hidalgo, Starr and Willacy counties**. FEMA may be able to help with serious needs, displacement, temporary lodging, basic home repair costs, personal property loss or other disaster-caused needs.

Survivors with homeowners or renters' insurance, should file a claim as soon as possible. By law, FEMA cannot duplicate benefits for losses covered by insurance. If your policy does not cover all your damage expenses, you may then be eligible for federal assistance.

## How To Apply for FEMA Assistance

Homeowners and renters who have disaster-caused damage or loss can apply for **Individual Assistance** under the major disaster declaration **DR-4871-TX** in several ways:

- Apply online at [www.DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.DisasterAssistance.gov).
- Download the [FEMA App](#) for mobile devices.
- Call the FEMA helpline at **800-621-3362** between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. CT. Help is available in most languages. If you use a relay service, such as video relay (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA your number for that service.
- To view an accessible video about how to apply visit: [Three Ways to Register for FEMA Disaster Assistance - YouTube](#).



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When you apply for assistance, have this information readily available:

- If insured, the policy number or the agent and/or the company name
- 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, if available
- A general list of damage and losses
- Banking information for direct deposit

Remember to keep receipts from all purchases related to cleanup and repair.

Assistance from FEMA can include grants for home repairs, replacement of uninsured personal property and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.

U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) low-interest disaster loans are available to businesses of all sizes, nonprofits, homeowners and renters. Like FEMA, SBA cannot duplicate benefits for losses covered by insurance.

For more information, visit [fema.gov/disaster/4871](https://fema.gov/disaster/4871). Follow FEMA Region 6 on social media at [x.com/FEMARegion6](https://x.com/FEMARegion6) and at [facebook.com/FEMARegion6/](https://facebook.com/FEMARegion6/).



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