

# Recovery Continues After Historic 2024 Hurricane Season

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WASHINGTON -- President Trump and Department of Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem continue delivering on their promise to provide disaster relief to Americans throughout the Southeast as they recover from Hurricanes Helene and Milton that caused billions in damages last year.?

Since Jan. 20, the Trump administration has prioritized locally-led recovery, providing more than **\$3.6 billion** in funding to speed up debris removal and fund critical infrastructure projects across the Southeast. In total, more than 107 million cubic yards of debris has been cleared.?

Southeastern states and local governments continue to lead recovery with FEMA and other federal agency support. To date, FEMA has provided more than **\$14.3 billion** in flood insurance payments and grants to survivors, communities, states and tribes.??

“Communities affected by these storms are rebuilding stronger as they drive their recovery,” said Secretary Noem. “We’re committed to cutting the red tape and getting recovery dollars moving faster than ever before.”?

## Helping Families Recover

FEMA provided more than **\$2.9 billion** in grants to survivors, and paid **\$7.86 billion** in flood insurance claims, while the U.S. Small Business Administration provided more than **\$1.5 billion** in low-interest disaster loans to home and business owners.??

FEMA is providing disaster housing in four states for **1,026?families**, and **299** have already found a permanent housing solution.??

## North Carolina?



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In Western North Carolina, where both President Trump and Secretary Noem visited to observe recovery efforts, the administration has surged **\$2.7 billion** toward recovery. Of that, Secretary Noem directed FEMA to deliver more than **\$510 million** in Public Assistance grants and an additional **\$2 billion** for debris removal. This is one of the largest and most complex debris removal missions in history, with more than **15 million cubic yards** of debris removed.??

Another **\$515.6 million** in grants have gone to survivors that include money for rent, basic home repairs and other disaster-caused needs. This includes funds to help rebuild and repair private roads and bridges for over **10,500 families**.????

More than **240 families** received temporary housing from FEMA, with **129** who have already transitioned to permanent housing and **25** purchasing their units.??

Families have also received **\$212.4 million** in National Flood Insurance Program claims.?

Other federal agencies supporting North Carolina's recovery include:??

- The U.S. Department of Agriculture recently [announced \\$221.2 million](#) to help cover agricultural losses in Western North Carolina.??
- The Environmental Protection Agency [announced a total of \\$685 million](#) has been allocated for water infrastructure resiliency efforts.???
- The U.S. Small Business Administration provided \$244.2 million in low-interest disaster loans to home and business owners.??

## Florida

Since Jan. 20, the Trump administration provided more than **\$296 million** to Florida for recovery projects. The administration has also prioritized helping the state recover from previous disasters, announcing more than **\$20 million** last week for Hurricane Ian projects. Florida led debris removal operations following Helene and Milton, clearing more than **31.6 million** cubic yards.?

FEMA has provided more than **\$1.7 billion** in grants to survivors of the 2024 storms to cover costs such as rental assistance, home repair or to cover other disaster-related needs. More than **\$7.6 billion** in National Flood Insurance Program claims have been paid to policyholders.?



The U.S. Small Business Administration has disbursed **\$978 million** in 16,500 low-interest disaster loans. The Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Housing and Urban Development and others have announced **\$5.7 billion** in funding to help Florida recovery from hurricanes Helene and Milton.??

## Georgia

Some of the hardest hit areas in rural Georgia presented a hurdle for displaced survivors to find available housing. Starting in February, FEMA and the Georgia Emergency Management Agency hosted 13 housing fairs and helped more than 1,000 Georgia families secure housing and gain access to community recovery resources. FEMA provided 82 families temporary disaster housing, and 29 have already found a permanent solution.??

Since Jan. 20, the administration approved more than **\$667.9 million** for debris removal and other community recovery projects. Nearly **43 million cubic yards** of debris were removed by the state, counties and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.??

FEMA has provided more than **\$334 million** in grants to survivors and **\$37.9 million** in flood insurance payments. The U.S. Small Business Administration disbursed **\$142 million** in low-interest disaster loans.??

## South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia

Since Jan. 20, the administration has approved more than **\$315 million** for emergency protective measures and community recovery projects in South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. More than **16.5 million cubic yards** of debris have been cleared.??

FEMA provided nearly **\$398 million** in grants to survivors and **\$31.5 million in flood insurance payments**. The U.S. Small Business Administration disbursed **\$54.8 million** in low-interest disaster loans.??

