Over \$2.8 Million in Federal Assistance Awarded to Tennessee Residents after Spring Storms

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Over \$2.8 million in federal assistance has been awarded for homeowners and renters in Davidson, Williamson and Wilson counties to help them recover from the storms, tornadoes and flooding that took place from March 25 through April 3.

The federal declaration on May 8 allows those affected by the spring storms in the designated counties to apply for disaster assistance for temporary rental assistance and basic repairs to make homes safe, accessible and secure. Survivors may be eligible to receive assistance for uninsured and underinsured damage and losses resulting from the storms. FEMA cannot duplicate benefits.

The deadline to apply for federal disaster assistance is **Wednesday**, **July 7**. There are several ways to apply:

So far, over \$880,000 in FEMA grants has been awarded to individuals and households and over \$1.98 million in low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration were provided to homeowners and renters. Loans may also be available to businesses of all sizes and some nonprofit organizations to cover losses not fully compensated by insurance.

Following are several ways to apply for FEMA assistance:

- Download FEMA's mobile app. For information, go to: <u>fema.gov/mobile-app</u>.
- Visit DisasterAssistance.gov.
- Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585). Multilingual operators are available, and lines are open daily from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Central Time. Those who use a relay service such as a videophone, InnoCaption or CapTel should provide FEMA with their specific phone number assigned to that service.



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For more information on an SBA loan, go to <u>Disasterloan.sba.gov</u>, call the SBA Customer Service Center at **800-659-2955** (**800-877-8339** for the deaf and hard-of-hearing), or send an e-mail to <u>DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov</u>.

For more information on Tennessee's disaster recovery, visit <u>www.tn.gov/tema.html</u> and <u>www.fema.gov/disaster/4601</u>. You may also follow FEMA on www.facebook.com/fema and Twitter @FEMARegion4.



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