## FEMA Provides Assistance Beyond Home Repair

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Vermont homeowners and renters in Caledonia, Chittenden, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, Rutland, Washington, Windham and Windsor counties who were affected by the severe storms, flooding, landslides and mudslides that occurred beginning July 7, 2023, and continue may be eligible for FEMA grants for personal property losses and other eligible expenses.

## **Individuals and Households Program**

FEMA's Individuals and Households Program (IHP) provides assistance to eligible individuals and households who have uninsured or underinsured necessary expenses and serious needs as a result of the July severe storms, flooding, landslides and mudslides. This includes assistance beyond home repair.

The amount and types of assistance are determined by your expenses, and may include:

- Medical and Dental Assistance
- Child Care Assistance
- Assistance for Miscellaneous Items
- Moving and Storage Assistance
- Funeral Assistance

Other types of assistance are only available if an applicant applies for a disaster loan from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and does not qualify. Completing the application does not mean you have to accept a loan. The additional assistance that may be available includes:

- Personal Property Assistance
- Transportation Assistance
- Group Flood Insurance Policy (GFIP)



Talk with a FEMA specialist to learn more. FEMA specialists are available by phone at **800-621-3362** or in person at Disaster Recovery Centers. To locate the closest center, visit fema.gov/drc.

## **General Program Requirements**

In general, applicants must meet all the following conditions to apply:

- You or someone who lives with you is a U.S. citizen, a non-citizen national, or a qualified alien.
- You pass FEMA's identity and occupancy verifications.
- You must pass ownership verification for Home Repair and Home Replacement Assistance.
- Your primary home is in a presidentially designated disaster area and is unlivable or is not accessible.
- You either have no insurance, or filed an insurance claim and it does not cover all of your losses.

## **Apply for FEMA Assistance**

Apply online at <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, download the <u>FEMA mobile app</u> for mobile devices, or call the toll-free helpline at **800-621-3362**. Language translation is available. If you use a relay service such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service when you apply.

For an accessible video on how to apply for assistance, go to <u>FEMA Accessible</u>: Three Ways to Register for FEMA Disaster Assistance - YouTube.

For the latest information visit <u>fema.gov/disaster/4720</u>. Follow the FEMA Region 1 account at Twitter <u>twitter.com/FEMARegion1</u> or the FEMA Facebook page at facebook.com/FEMA.

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