President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. Approves Major Disaster Declaration for Tennessee

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA announced today that federal disaster assistance has been made available to the state of Tennessee to supplement recovery efforts in the areas affected by severe storms and tornadoes on Dec. 9, 2023.

The President's action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in Davidson, Dickson, Montgomery and Sumner counties. Assistance can include grants for temporary housing and home repairs, low-interest loans to cover uninsured property losses and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.

Federal funding also is available on a cost-sharing basis for emergency protective measures, limited to direct federal assistance in Davidson, Dickson, Montgomery and Sumner counties.

Federal funding is also available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide.

Yolanda J. Jackson has been named the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal recovery operations in the affected areas. Additional designations may be made at a later date if requested by the state and warranted by the results of further assessments.

Individuals and business owners who sustained losses in the designated areas can begin applying for assistance by registering online at <u>www.DisasterAssistance.gov</u>, by calling 1-800-621-3362 or by using the <u>FEMA</u> <u>App</u>. If you use a relay service, such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service.



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