

Indiana Tornado & Storm Recovery

April 24, 2023

Disaster Declared

On April 15, 2023, the president approved a major disaster declaration for Indiana to supplement state and local recovery efforts in the areas affected by tornadoes, severe storms and flooding from March 31 – April 1, 2023. This action makes federal funding available to affected individuals and households in **Allen, Benton, Clinton, Grant, Howard, Johnson, Lake, Monroe, Morgan, Owen, Sullivan, and White counties.**

How to Apply for FEMA Assistance

Individuals in the 12 designated counties who had uninsured or underinsured losses from the March 31 – April 1 storms may be eligible for federal assistance. There are three ways to apply:

- 1) DisasterAssistance.gov
- 2) Download the [FEMA App](#) for mobile devices
- 3) Call toll-free **800-621-3362**. The helpline is available from 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. Eastern Time in most languages. If you use a relay service such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA your number for that service.

Disaster Survivor Assistance teams are also going door-to-door in the impacted counties to assist with registration and answer survivors' questions. Do not wait to file an insurance claim. You still need to register with FEMA even if you reported your damage to local officials or spoke to FEMA during the damage assessments in early April. If you are unsure if you are registered for FEMA assistance, contact the helpline at 800-621-3362.

Individual Assistance Overview

FEMA Individual Assistance may include funds for the following:

- Temporary housing while you are unable to live in your home
- The repair or replacement of owner-occupied, primary residences
- Other uninsured or under-insured disaster-caused expenses and serious needs, such as repair or replacement of personal property and vehicles, or funds for moving and storage, medical, dental, childcare and funeral.

U.S. Small Business Administration

Long-term, low-interest disaster loans for homeowners, renters, businesses and nonprofit organizations from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) are available to cover losses not fully compensated by insurance and other sources. Apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via the SBA's secure website at disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/ela/s/. Disaster loan information and application forms can also be obtained by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955.

Be Alert to Disaster Fraud

If you believe you are the victim of a scam, report it immediately to your local police or sheriff's department. Consumers may also report charity or disaster scams to the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of Indiana Attorney General online at indianaconsumer.com.

Disaster Unemployment Assistance Available in Indiana

Learn more about eligibility criteria and how to apply at www.in.gov/dwd/indiana-unemployment/individuals/dua/.

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BY THE NUMBERS

- Nearly **\$700,000** in federal funds has been provided to Hoosiers to help them with their recovery.



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