Renters, Students Can Apply for FEMA Disaster Assistance

Renters and students whose homes and property were damaged by the July storms and flooding can apply for FEMA disaster assistance. FEMA may be able to help eligible individuals and families in **Burnet**, **Kerr**, **San Saba**, **Tom Green**, **Travis** and **Williamson** counties.

- As you begin to clear debris and work to salvage your belongings, **your first step is to file an insurance claim**. For any uninsured losses, you can apply for FEMA disaster assistance. Those grants are available to homeowners and renters, including students, and may be able to help pay for temporary housing. The initial rental grant is for a one-month or two-month period and can be reviewed for further assistance.
- Under FEMA's Other Needs Assistance program, renters may also qualify for assistance for uninsured essential personal property losses and other disaster-related expenses. These may include:
 - Replacement or repair of necessary personal property such as furniture, appliances, clothing, textbooks or school supplies.
 - o Replacement or repair of tools and other job-related equipment required if you are self-employed.
 - o Primary vehicles.
 - Uninsured or out-of-pocket medical, dental, childcare, and moving and storage expenses.

How do I apply for assistance?

- You have until Thursday, Sept. 4, to apply for FEMA disaster assistance. Here's how:
 - o The fastest way to apply is online at DisasterAssistance.gov
 - You may also use the <u>FEMA mobile app</u>
 - Call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362. Lines are open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT daily. If you use a relay service, captioned telephone or other service, you can give FEMA your number for that service. Helpline specialists speak many languages. Press 2 for Spanish.
 - Visit any Disaster Recovery Center to receive in-person assistance. To find one close to you, use your ZIP code to search <u>FEMA.gov/DRC</u>.
 - To view an accessible video on how to apply, visit <u>What You Need to Know Before Applying for FEMA</u> Assistance.

For the latest information about the Texas recovery, visit <u>fema.gov/disaster/4879</u>. Follow FEMA Region 6 on social media at x.com/FEMARegion6 and at facebook.com/FEMARegion6/.

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Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 833-285-7448. If you use a relay service, such as video relay service, captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service. Multilingual operators are available. (Press 2 for Spanish).