

FEMA Assistance Won't Affect Other Benefits

FEMA assistance is not taxable. Applying for disaster assistance will not affect other federal benefits you may receive.

Accepting FEMA funds will not affect eligibility for Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, or other federal benefit programs.

Disaster funds help survivors pay for temporary housing, essential home repairs, essential personal property replacement, and other serious disaster-related needs not covered by insurance or other sources.

If you sustained loss from the severe storm and flooding that occurred between Jan. 9-13, and live in Cumberland, Hancock, Knox, Lincoln, Sagadahoc, Waldo, Washington, or York counties, FEMA may be able to help.

Ways to Apply to FEMA

There are several ways to apply:

- Visit a Disaster Recover Center. To find a center close to you, go online to: [DRC Locator](#), or text DRC along with your Zip Code to 43362 (Ex: DRC 04074)
- Call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362**. Help is available in most languages. The Helpline is available daily from **7 a.m. to 1 a.m. ET**.
- Go online to [DisasterAssistance.gov](#) (also in Spanish).
- Download the FEMA [mobile app](#) (also in Spanish), available at Google Play or the Apple App Store.

To view accessible video on how to apply visit [Three Ways to Apply for FEMA Disaster Assistance - YouTube](#). The deadline to apply is **May 20, 2024**.

For the latest information on Maine's recovery from the severe storm and flooding from Jan. 9-13, 2023, visit [Maine Flood Resources And Assistance Hub](#) and [fema.gov/disaster/4764](#). Follow FEMA on X, formerly known as Twitter, at [twitter.com/femaregion1](#) and at [facebook.com/fema](#)..



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FEMA's mission is helping people before, during, and after disasters.

All FEMA disaster assistance will be provided without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, sex (including sexual harassment), sexual orientation, religion, national origin, age, disability, limited English proficiency, economic status. If you believe your civil rights are being violated, you can call the Civil Rights Resource line at 833-285-7448.