Government, US Government Program: Resource Guide

Ongoing

Generated November 21, 2026 · 23 open facilities · closed facilities are not listed · call before you go: details change quickly

AL

Disaster Unemployment Assistance

Info/Hotline · Open

Government – Disaster Unemployment/Job Info

Various, AL

Phone 1–800–234–5382
Web www.dir.alabama.gov
Service Temporary

Disaster unemployment assistance: 1–800–234–5382 or www.dir.alabama.gov

Services offered: Assistance, How To, File Disaster Unemployment Claims; Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Government, US Government Program

Updated May 18, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8336

CA

Military Evacuee $ available at National Guard at Los Alamitos Operation "Readiness Family"

Info/Hotline · Open

Evacuee Center

CA

Phone (562) 254–6916
Eligibility Military Evacuees
Service Temporary

Military Family Evacuees (all branches – active or inactive):

Military Families who have been evacuated due to the Southern California fires can contact the National Guard at Los Alamitos Operation Readiness Family who can offer financial assistance that might be available, food vouchers, etc. Contact Estella Wimberly (562) 254–6916.

Services offered: Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Health Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Medical Resources Referral; Directories, Directory of Services, City/Town; Directories, Directory of Services, Regional; Directories, Directory of Services, Statewide; Directories, Financial Assistance Programs; Directories of Services & Programs * (ANY/ALL Types); Evacuee Reception Center; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Government, US, Military, Armed Forces; Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Hotline, Crisis Hotline; Hotline, Disaster Recovery Services Hotline for Survivors; Hotline, Shelter Hotline (Find Help); Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response; Vouchers * (ANY/ALL Types); Vouchers, Food Vouchers
Campaigns: Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, US Government Program

Updated Nov 17, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3844

Southern California Wildfires '08: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (GOVERNMENT AID)

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Recovery/Resources

CA

Service Temporary

ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS (GOVERNMENTAL)

FEDERAL EMERGENCYMANAGEMENTAGENCY (FEMA) INDIVIDUAL AND
HOUSEHOLD PROGRAM
For individuals and households to apply for Federal and State disaster assistance programs, or to check the status of your applications, call the FEMATele–registration and Helpline Number at:

Phone: 1(800) 621–3362 TTY 1(800) 462–7585
Web site: www.fema.gov

Housing Assistance: Provides financial and direct assistance to eligible homeowners and
Renters displaced from their pre–disaster primary residences.

Other Needs Assistance: Provides awards for other uninsured disaster–related necessary
expenses and serious needs, including personal property, medical, dental, and transportation expenses.

FEMA: Disaster Recovery Center

FEMA on–site: Sylmar Recreation Center
Address: 13109 Borden Avenue, Sylmar, CA 91342
Phone: 1(800) 621–3362 (TTY: (800) 462–7585)
Area Served: Impacted by the Sayre Wildfire
Hours of operation:
Monday–Friday: 9:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.
Saturday: 9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.
Sunday: 9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

SBA DISASTER LOANS TO RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES
Disaster loans up to $200,000 are available to homeowners to repair or replace their damaged or destroyed primary residence. Homeowners and renters are eligible for up to $40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property.

Businesses of any size and private non–profit organizations may borrow up to $2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory, and other business assets. SBA can also lend additional funds to help homeowners and business owners with the cost of making improvements that protect, prevent or minimize the same type of disaster damage from occurring in the future. For small businesses and some private non–profit organizations, SBA offers Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDLs) to help meet working capital needs caused by the disaster. EIDL assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage. SBA disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance.

Phone: 1(800) 659–2955 TTY for hearing or speech impaired: 1(800) 877–8339
Web site: www.sbs.gov/services/disasterassistance

STATE SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT PROGRAM
Supplemental grants up to $10,000 by the State may be available to eligible individuals and households who are unable to meet disaster–related necessary expenses and serious needs. These grants may be offered when assistance from FEMA's Individuals and Households Program has been maximized. Once maximized, your FEMA application is transferred to this program; there is no separate application process. Contact CA Department of Social Services, State Supplemental Grant Program

Phone: 1(800) 759–6807 (TTY) 1(800) 822–6268
Web site:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
The California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) can assist individuals in replacing
DMV documents, such as drivers licenses, identification cards, vehicle registration certificates and certificates of title, that were lost as a result of the disaster. DMV can assist in filling out forms to change the status of vehicles that were damaged or destroyed as a result of the disaster.

Phone: 1(800) 777–0133
Web site: www.dmv.ca.gov/californiafires/index.htm

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is working with those who have lost
vital records as a result of the disaster. Birth, death, and marriage records should be requested from the county recorder's office in the county where the event occurred (visit
www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/birthdeathmar/Pages/CountyRecorderOffice.aspx for a list of county
recorders).

For faster service, victims should indicate the name of the disaster on the outside of the envelope and on the top of the forms when requesting vital records.

Phone: (916) 445–2684 or visit:
Web site: www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/birthdeathmar/Pages/default.aspx

USDA FARM SERVICE AGENCY
Loans for family–sized farmers and ranchers, who are unable to obtain credit elsewhere, for the repair or restoration of disaster–damaged farm property and/or qualifying crop production losses. Contact the county USDA Farm Service Agency office listed in your local telephone directory under U.S. Government.

Web site: http://www.fsa.usda.gov

USDA RURAL DEVLOPMENT
Loans or grants may be available from the USDA for flood victims who live in areas declared as rural, and who are ineligible for an SBA loan. When applying for grants and loans, you may be asked to show:

• An itemized list of losses and estimated cost of replacement or repair.
• Copies of your federal tax returns for the last 3 years.
• Copies of your deed, mortgage, or lease.
• Estimates of new flood insurance premiums.
• Copies of previous insurance policies or settlements.

For Personal Loss

• Proof of monthly income (paycheck stubs, bank statements)

For Business or Farm Loss

• Brief history of the business or farm
• Personal and business financial statements
• Loan repayment schedule
• List of bills owed Farm Service Agency

Information on farm crop base and assigned yields. You can submit a form online at:

Web site: www.sc.egov.usda.gov

You will have to register online and create a USDA account before you can fill out and submit an application form. You may also apply at your local USDA Service Center.

CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITYAND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CalWORKs)
CalWORKs provides cash aid to eligible needy California families to help pay for housing, food, and other necessary expenses. For more information contact your local county welfare/social services department.

Web site:

WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM
The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program helps low–income pregnant women, new mothers and young children eat well and stay healthy.WIC provides:

• Special checks to buy healthy foods such as milk, juice, eggs, cheese;
• Information about nutrition and health;
• Breastfeeding support; and
• Referrals to health care and community services

Web site: www.wicworks.ca.gov and click on “find a WIC agency.”

FOOD STAMPS
The Food Stamp Program helps low–income people buy healthy food. You may request an application for food stamps by phone, in person, by fax, or by mail from your county DPPS (Dept. of Public Social Services) office. For more information log on to:

Web site: www.cdss.ca.gov/foodstamps
DPPS Office Locator: http://dpss.lacounty.gov/dpss/maps/food_stamps_map.cfm

Services offered: Assistance, How to, File Disaster Disability Benefits; Assistance, How To, File Disaster Unemployment Claims; Assistance, How to, File Food Stamp Application; Assistance, How to Find, Emergency Food Assistance; Assistance, How To, Navigating Disaster Survivor Insurance Process ; Directories, Directory of Services, Grants Info, Listings, News & Referrals; Directories, Financial Assistance Programs; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Food Stamp Program; Financial Assistance, Food Stamps, Emergency Food Stamps; Financial Assistance, Food Stamps (For Disaster Survivors); Financial Assistance, Referrals, Temporary Financial Assistance Referrals; Financial Assistance, Tax Relief; Financial Assistance, Unemployment Benefits for Disaster Survivors; Financial Assistance, Utility Bill Assistance; Financial Assistance, Utility Bill Assistance (For Seniors/Elders); Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Vouchers * (ANY/ALL Types); Vouchers, Food Vouchers
Campaigns: 2007 California Wildfires; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, State/County; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Government Program
Updated Dec 9, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3946

Southern California Wildfires '08: Document Replacement Services

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Recovery/Resources
CA

Service Temporary

REPLACING IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

If you run into problems replacing these important documents, please call Neighborhood Legal Services at 1(800) 433–6251 for assistance navigating this process.

Social Security:
Your first step is to apply to the Social Security Administration for a replacement social security card as soon as possible. To apply, mail or bring the following documents to your local Social Security office: Form SS–5, which is available at your local Social Security office, online at:

Web site: www.socialsecurity.gov/online/ss–5.html

Or can be mailed to you upon request by calling:

Phone: 1(800) 772–1213

Evidence of your identity, such as your driver's license, marriage or divorce record, military record, adoption record, life insurance policy, or passport; and Evidence of your U.S. citizenship or lawful alien status, such as a U.S. passport or unexpired document issued to you by the Department of Homeland Security.

Documents presented as evidence must be either originals or copies certified by the issuing agency. Uncertified or notarized photocopies will not be accepted. Requests usually take two weeks to process.

To find your local social security office, visit:

Web site: www.socialsecurity.gov/locator Or call:
Phone: 1(800) 772–1213

Medicare Card:
If your Medicare card was destroyed, you should also apply to the Social Security Administration for a replacement. There is no charge for this service. You can request a replacement card at your local Social Security office, online at www.socialsecurity.gov or by telephone at:

Phone: 1(800) 772–1213

Requests usually take 30 days to process. If you need proof right away that you have Medicare, contact your local Social Security office or call the toll–free number noted above, and they can provide you with proof that you can use until you receive your replacement Medicare card.

Federal Income Tax Returns:
Copies of your federal income tax returns may be obtained from your tax preparer or the IRS. To apply for a copy from the IRS, complete Form 4506, "Request for Copy or Transcript of Tax Form," and send it to the IRS address where you filed your return. Form 4506 may be obtained online at www.irs.gov or by calling (800) 829–3676. Copies of tax returns are free for disaster victims. Be sure to write "CAWildfires" in red at the top of the form. The IRS will waive the usual fees and expedite requests for copies of previously filed tax returns for affected taxpayers who need them to apply for benefits or to file amended returns claiming casualty losses.

Web site: http://www.irs.gov/

State Income Tax Returns:

To get a free copy of your lost or damaged California state returns, you should complete
Form FTB 3516, "Request for Copy of Tax Return." Print "CAWildfires" in red at the top of the request. You may download the form at the Franchise Tax Board's website or by calling to order one.

Web site: www.ftb.ca.gov
Phone: 1(800) 852–5711

U.S. Passport Information Center:
Information and forms about replacing a U.S. passport are available online or by calling the U.S. Passport Information Center. If your passport was issued by a country other than the United States, you should contact that country's consulate and make an application for a replacement passport.

Web site: www.travel.gov
Phone: 1(900) 225–5674

Visa/Resident Alien (Green) Cards:
For information on how to replace your visa/resident alien (green) card, please see the
"Immigration" section of the Hand Book online:

Web site: www.travel.gov

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

California Drivers License/ID Card:
To replace your California driver's license and/or identification card, you should make an appointment to visit your local DMV office either online at www.dmv.ca.gov or by calling (800) 777–0133. You must submit application form DL 44, give a thumb print, and have your picture taken, and pay the application fee ($12.00 for license, $6.00 for ID card, or $3.00 for senior citizen ID card). You will be issued an interim license and/or receipt for your ID card until you receive your new card in the mail.

Certificate of Title (Cars, Boats/Vessels):
Instructions and forms are available at www.dmv.ca.gov. To obtain a replacement certificate of title, you must complete an Application for Duplicate Title form (Reg 227), attach the damaged title if mutilated, and pay the duplicate title fee of $7.00 ($15.00 for boats/vessels). You may submit the application either in person at your local DMV office or mail it to:

Department of Motor Vehicles
Registration Operations

P.O. Box 942869 Mail Station E–254
Sacramento, CA 94269–0001

Web site: http://dmv.ca.gov/

Birth Certificate, Marriage Certificate, Divorce Decree, Death Certificates:
Certified copies of birth, death, and marriage certificates may be obtained from the County Recorder's office in the county where the birth, death, or marriage occurred. You must fill out an application with information such as the full name of the person, date of event, and place of event.

A fee in the amount of $18.00 for a birth certificate, and $13.00 for a marriage or death certificate, is also required. If you need the documents quickly, you should go directly to the office to apply for the certificate. A list of the recorders' offices in Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, and Ventura counties is at the end of this section.

The Office of Vital Records has announced that it will expedite applications from fire victims that are directed from local assistance centers.

Certified copies of birth, death, and marriage certificates may also be obtained from the
Office of Vital Records by mailing your request to:
California Department of Health Services
Office of Vital Records
M.S. 5103
P.O. Box 997410
Sacramento, CA 95899–7410

To replace a divorce decree or judgment, contact the clerk of the court in the county where the judgment was issued. Procedures vary from court to court. To find the location, phone number, and web site of the superior court, visit:

Web site: www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/trial

Certified copies of deeds to real property may be obtained from the County Recorder's office in the county where the property is located. To apply, you will need the name of the owner of the property, the property address, the recorded year of the deed, and the title of the document or document number. Copy fees vary from $1.25 to $6.00 for the first page, and from $1.00 to $3.00 for each page thereafter.

Credit Cards, Debit Cards, and Checkbooks:
To replace credit cards, debit cards, and/or checkbooks, contact your financial institution. Most banks and credit card companies have toll–free numbers to report lost or stolen cards. If you need replacement checks or bank statements but have no identification, you should go to the branch where you opened the account which has your original signature card on file.

Wills and Trusts:
If the will and/or family trust was prepared by an attorney, you may be able to obtain a copy of the document by contacting the attorney who drafted it. If you do not have the attorney's current address, contact the State Bar of California at:

Phone: (415) 538–2577 or search for the attorney's contact information online at:
Web site: www.members.calbar.ca.gov/search/member.aspx

If the attorney does not have a copy of the document, you should have a new will or other document drafted.

Insurance Policy, Premium Notice or Other Insurance Related Documents:
If insurance documents are destroyed, contact your insurance agent or insurance company to obtain a copy of the policy. For information on how to make a claim, see "Insurance."

County Recorder Office Contact Information Los Angeles County Registrar/Recorder:
The Recorder's Office is responsible for recording legal documents which determine ownership of real property of and maintains files of birth, death and marriage records for Los Angeles. All functions of the office are conducted under provisions of the State Constitution, State and County Codes. The recording operation in Los Angeles is large and complex. It serves the public and other County departments such as the Assessor, Health Services, Public Social Services and Regional Planning.
Web site: www.lavote.net/recorder/realestate.htm

Address: 12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650
Phone: (562) 462–2137 335

Address: A East Avenue K–6, Lancaster, CA 93535
Phone: (661) 723–4494

Address: 9355 Burton Way, First Floor, Beverly Hills, CA 90210
Phone: (310) 288–1261

Address: 7807 South Compton Avenue, Room 215, Los Angeles, CA 90001
Phone: (323) 586–6192

Address: 11701 South La Cienega Blvd., Sixth Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90045
Phone: (310) 727–6142

Address: 4716 East Cesar E. Chavez Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90022
(323) 260–2991

Address: 14340 West Sylvan Street, Van Nuys, CA 91401
Phone: (818) 374–7176

San Bernardino County Recorder

Address: 222 West Hospitality Lane, San Bernardino, CA 92415
Phone: (909) 387–8314
Web site: http://www.co.san–bernardino.ca.us/acr/

Marriage licenses/birth certificates since 1979 only:

Fontana Library
Address: 8334 Emerald, Fontana, CA 92335
Phone: (909) 854–6397

Apple Valley Library
Address: 14901 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA 92307
Phone: (760) 240–7710

Montclair Library
Address: 9955 Fremont Avenue, Montclair, CA 91763
Phone: (973) 744–0500

Services offered: Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How to, File Disaster Disability Benefits; Assistance, How To, File Disaster Unemployment Claims; Assistance, How to, File Food Stamp Application; Assistance, How to Find, Emergency Food Assistance; Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, How To, Navigating Disaster Survivor Insurance Process ; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Information Resource, Insurance Advice and Guidelines for Disaster Survivors; Services, Document Replacement for Disaster Survivors; Services, Transportation (Drivers License/ID Replacement/Rental Car Info, Private Insurance Info, etc.); Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 2008 California Wildfires; Government, City/Town Agency; Government, State/County; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program; Government, US Government Site; Government, US Gov't Sponsored (This Org IS Sponsored by US Gov); Government, US/State Dept. of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
Updated Dec 9, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3939

GA

Local: Catoosa County Learning Center (Disaster Assistance Center (DRC) Registration for: FEMA, RC and Salvation Army)

Walk–in Resource · Open

Georgia Tornado Relief Resource Directory
36 Muscogee Trail, Ringghold, GA 30736
Service Temporary

FEMA registration is there, State Social Services, DFACS, and other services may vary by DRC.

Supplies and Help navigating disaster relief resources.

GEMA press release 5/16: This site open Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sunday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. until further notice.

FEMA Registration at this site, and various other disaster recovery services.
Campaigns: 2011 Georgia Tornados; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Government, City/Town Agency; Government, County/Parish Agency; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, Federal; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA, DRC (Disaster Recovery Center); Government, State/County; Government, State Government Department/ Agency; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program
Updated Aug 16, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8162

MA

Acton Housing Authority

Walk–in Resource · Open

Acton "Safety Net" Leadership Summit
PO Box 681; 68 Windsor Avenue, Acton, MA 01720
Phone 978–263–5339

Contact Kelley, Fran Spayne
Email office@actonhousing.net, kelley@actonhousing.net, fran@actonhousing.net
Web www.town.acton.ma.us/content.aspx?id=100
Serves Acton
Eligibility low income, disabled, and elderly residents
Service Permanent

Services:

Rental Subsidies
Social Services

Services offered: Assistance, Referrals, Case Management Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Disabled, Accessible Housing Referrals for Disabled; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Referrals (For Seniors/Elders); Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Short–Term Housing Referrals; Community Outreach Programs; Community Service Program; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Housing, Rental Assistance; Grants, for Developers of Low–Income Housing; Grants, Housing, Housing Related; Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Hotline, Shelter Hotline (Find Help); Housing, Affordable Housing Builder, Gov't Sponsored; Housing, Affordable Housing, Renters Programs; Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Housing, Apartments; Housing, Fairly Priced Rental Housing for Disaster Survivors; Housing, Free Houses for Local Residents in Need; Housing, Group Home, Special Needs/Mental Illness; Housing, Listings for Disaster Survivors; Housing, Rental Listings; Housing, Subsidized/Low–Income Housing; Housing, Transitional Housing; Housing, Transitional Housing (For Battered Women/Children); Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Emergency Services; Services, Homeless, Services for the Homeless; Services, Social Services, General Social Services; Shelter * (ANY/ALL Types); Vouchers, Housing/Shelter (Motel) Vouchers
Campaigns: 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); Acton Leadership Summit, Acton Massachusetts; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Government Program; Homelessness Relief Services
Updated Nov 20, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2917

COSTEP, Massachusetts Disaster Prep Focused on Cultural Resources

Info/Hotline · Open

MA

Web mblc.state.ma.us/costepma
Service Temporary

Services offered: Information Resource, County Resources, Contacts & Services (County Level); Information Resource, Disaster Prep, Governments/Community Groups; Information Resource, Historic Preservation Resource
Campaigns: Government, State/County; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Government Program
Updated May 2, 2013 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9685

MS

Mississippi Alternative Housing Program (www.mscottage.org)

Info/Hotline · Open

State Agency
MS

Phone 1–866–726–MAHP(6247)
Web www.mscottage.org
Serves Hancock, Harrison & Jackson Counties
Eligibility Permanent Resident @ Katrina in FEMA trailer, see notes below, and website for details.
Bring See website
Service Temporary

The Mississippi Alternative Housing Program is funded by a $281 million federal grant and is administered by the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency. The purpose of the program is to develop and produce a safer and more comfortable temporary housing unit for use after a disaster. The program will also address additional goals such as new approaches to management of units and the option of allowing units to go from temporary to permanent.

Mississippi will build three different units as part of the program. The Park Model is a one–bedroom unit that will replace the current FEMA travel trailer. It will be safer and more comfortable than the travel trailer. The Mississippi Cottage, in both two– and three–bedroom styles, will replace the current FEMA mobile home. The Mississippi Cottage unit will also be available in an ADA–compliant model. The Green Mobile unit will be produced in one– and two–bedroom models and will be both ADA–compliant and energy efficient. All of these units are modular, stick–built homes that can be converted into permanent dwellings.

Expectations are that between 4,000 and 6,000 units will be built. The total number of units produced will depend on applicants' needs for specific units and the actual cost of production, maintenance and management of the units.

The program is strictly voluntary for both applicants and local jurisdictions. Eligible applicants within the official FEMA database will be awarded housing units by random proportional selection . Applicants whose names are selected will be notified and given an opportunity to accept or decline the offer to receive an alternative housing unit.

If you are a contractor with questions please visit ntainc.com and submit your questions there.

Questions about the program can be emailed to: memainfo@mema.ms.gov

Those who are eligible to participate in the program must:

1. Have been a permanent resident in one of Mississippi's three coastal counties (Hancock, Harrison & Jackson) on Aug. 29 2005.
2. Be a resident of the state of MississippiLiving in a FEMA provided travel trailer or mobile home in one of the three coastal counties as of April 1, 2007.
3. Be listed with FEMA as the applicant or co–applicant.
4. Live in the alternative housing unit for at least six months beyond date of occupancy.

Anyone who is not currently living in FEMA provided disaster housing is not eligible for the program. Those who are eligible do not need to apply. A random, proportional selection will be used to determine who will participate in the program.

If eligible, what size unit will I receive?
Go to: http://www.mscottage.org/eligibility/
scroll down and follow the link.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Q: What is the Mississippi Alternative Housing Program (MAHP)?

A: The Mississippi Alternative Housing Program is a pilot program funded through a FEMA grant and administered by the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency. The Mississippi Alternative Housing Program (MAHP) is intended to demonstrate that improved housing solutions for disaster victims can be developed, tested, and used effectively following major disasters. The program will demonstrate that we can design, construct, and deliver a safer, more livable emergency housing unit that may serve as affordable housing for long–term recovery.

Q: What is the duration of the program?

A: The program lasts for 24–months and begins with the construction phase and ends with the decommissioning or sale of the units.

Q. Why should I participate in the program?

A: The Mississippi Alternative Housing Program a pilot project to explore, implement, and evaluate innovative approaches to both short and intermediate–term emergency housing solutions. The alternative housing units will be safer, more livable and environmentally friendly. You may be eligible to purchase your unit and convert it to a permanent residence if your local government allows.

Q: When will these Alternative Housing Units be available to the public?

A: We are currently installing alternative housing units.

Q: If I accept the Mississippi Alternative Housing unit, can I re–apply for another FEMA trailer after the

A : Once you are enrolled in this Mississippi Alternative Housing Program and have accepted a unit, FEMA assistance will no longer be available.

Q: Where can I receive more information on your program?

A: A web site is in place www.mscottage.org or

Q: Is there a toll–free number set up for questions or checking the status of my Alternative Housing Unit?

A: A call center is open Monday thru Friday 8am to 5pm 1–866–726–6247 (MAHP).

ELIGIBILITY

Q: Who is eligible to participate in the program?

A: The eligibility criteria are:

Permanent resident in one of the Mississippi 's three coastal counties (Hancock, Harrison, Jackson) on Aug. 29, 2005.
Living in a FEMA provided travel trailer or mobile home in one of the three coastal counties as of April 1, 2007.
Be listed as the applicant or co– applicant with FEMA (Head of Household)
Must have need for alternative housing for at least six months beyond date of occupancy.

Q. How do I apply for the alternative housing pilot program?

A: No one has to apply for the program. This program created an eligible applicant pool based on the above eligibility criteria from the FEMA temporary housing database. Therefore if you meet the eligibility criteria, you will be automatically registered for the program.

Q: How was the selection made from the eligible applicant pool?

A: A proportional random selection process has been used to select and rank applicants from the eligible applicant pool. Those selected applicants are being contacted and offered the option to participate in the program. This program is voluntary. Those selected applicants will be notified by telephone and mail and given the opportunity to accept or decline the offer to receive an alternative housing unit. The selected applicants will be allowed five business days to accept the alternative housing unit.

Q: Why use a proportional random selection?

A: A goal of the program is to provide alternative housing units to a broad cross–section of the population of the Mississippi Gulf Coast . By using this system, we are able to spread the distribution across the jurisdictions, meet special disability needs and provide units to both renters and homeowners. This system provides a fair and equal process for selection.

Q. How did you receive my information without my approval?

A: You signed a release of information form with FEMA allowing them to provide your information to the State and volunteer agencies for further assistance.

Q. When will I be notified whether or not I get approved for an alternative housing unit?

A: Once a site inspection is performed and the applicant has returned all required documents, the applicant will be notified of approval of the housing unit and given a moving date. The time this process takes will vary based on factors such as the amount of time the applicant needs to obtain permits, the current availability of units, and removal of the FEMA unit. Applicants will be advised of timelines throughout the process.

Q: My spouse is head of household, but is on active duty with the military. We meet the criteria, can we still participate?

A: Either applicant or co–applicant will be eligible to discuss the alternative housing unit process.

Q: Why do I have to live in FEMA temporary housing to receive an alternative housing unit?

A: One of the goals of this program is to provide a more comfortable and safer alternative housing to the current FEMA travel trailer or mobile home tenants.

Q: If I have already received a disaster grant or an insurance settlement, am I still eligible to be selected a unit?

A: Yes, if you meet the eligibly criteria.

Q: If an applicant declines the unit upfront, will a letter be sent to the applicant stating that they declined the unit?

A: If an applicant is declining a unit up front, no matter the reason (i.e. They do not need the unit because they moved or rebuilt already), they will still receive a certified letter for them to confirm declining the program.

Q: What if I choose not to participate at this time, but then change my mind?

A: Selected applicants have 5 business days to accept the offer to receive a unit. If you decline the offer, then the next eligible applicant will be offered the unit.

Q. Is there a way to speed up the process? If I have all my paperwork together, can I get front–of–the–line?

A: Applicants are selected and ranked by proportional random selection process. You will be notified if you are selected and then the site inspection and permitting process will begin.

Q. What if a person has fallen through the cracks and has not yet received a FEMA travel trailer but is entitled to one and wants to wait for the Cottage to become available? Is he or she eligible?

A: Eligibility for Phase I of the program will include only those individuals who meet the criteria for eligibility, which includes living in a FEMA travel trailer or mobile home as of April 1, 2007. If all units are not placed in Phase I, new eligibility criteria may be established for Phase 2

Q: What if I just moved out of my travel trailer or mobile home and started renting, am I eligible for this program?

A: No, you are not eligible for this program because you do not meet the eligibility criteria.

Q. FEMA placed me outside the lower three counties because there was not enough room. Can I still get a unit?

A: Phase I of the program requires that you live in a FEMA travel trailer or mobile home in Hancock, Harrison, or Jackson County . If all units are not placed in Phase I, new eligibility criteria may be established for Phase 2.

Q. What contract forms will I be required to sign?

A: Several documents will be signed:

• Lease agreement

• Release of information (ROI)

• Maintenance Agreement

• Agreement to participate in future surveys

• Procedure for program closeout

• Right of Entry (ROE)

• A wavier for future FEMA Housing Assistance for Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita

• A wavier with MEMA to view utility records for review of energy efficiency.

• A release to allow MEMA to provide occupancy information to local officials.

• Participate in survey from HUD and FEMA for a period of up to four years.

• Applicant's acceptance letter.

OCCUPANCY

Q. Are there any costs associated with the program?

A: The tenant will be responsible for paying all utility costs and any associated minor maintenance. The unit comes with a 2–year warranty from the manufacturer and the warranty will take care of major repairs. Also, there might be additional costs depending on the site preparation needed.

Q. Who will pay for lot rent fees?

A: The applicant is responsible for any lot rent fees associated with the program.

Q. Is there a deposit to put down up front?

A: Applicants will not be required to post a deposit for their housing unit. Utility companies may require deposits for services.

Q. How long after being approved for a housing unit until I can move in?

A: A site inspection will be scheduled upon the receipt of a participation agreement letter and Right of Entry from applicants. After the site is approved, the applicant must obtain all permits for their jurisdiction. Once the permits and site preparation are complete, a delivery date will be scheduled.

Q. What will determine the type of unit I receive?

A: The type of unit you will receive will depend on the type of unit you currently occupy. Unit types will be matched up to the greatest extent possible: travel trailers with the Park Model, and mobile homes with Mississippi Cottage. However in some circumstances it may be appropriate for a family living in a travel trailer to receive a larger unit. Each special request will be evaluated. If you have special circumstances concerning your unit, it can be evaluated.

Q. Can I take my pet in my unit with me?

A: Domestic house pets are allowed in the Alternative Housing Units in accordance with local ordinances. You will be responsible for any damages caused by the pet.

Q. Is assistance going to be provided for transferring household goods from the FEMA travel trailer to the new unit?

A: Moving and living arrangements are the responsibility of the applicant. Applicants should prepare to provide storage and lodging for up to five days. MEMA is working with volunteer agencies to assist the needs of applicants with special circumstances.

Q. I am disabled and need assistance in obtaining a building permit, moving and doing the necessary things to participate in the program. Where can I get help?

A: Mississippi Alternative Housing Program staff will provide you with the assistance you need throughout the entire process.

Q. Can I run a commercial business from my alternative housing unit?

A: The alternative housing units are for residential use only and cannot be used for commercial purposes. Once the unit is purchased, the homeowner must adhere to local permitting and ordinances.

Q. Will I have a specific caseworker assigned to me like I do with FEMA?

A: You will not have a caseworker assigned. We will make regular contact with you to assist you in moving toward a permanent housing solution and in gathering feedback on the alternative housing unit in which you reside.

Q. What types of appliances are in the Alternative Housing Units?

A: All electric appliances except for washer/dryer including: refrigerator, central heating/cooling, stove/range, microwave. There are washer/dryer hookups for a stackable unit

Q. Can I keep the travel trailer and have an alternative housing unit if my family is large enough to support it?

A: FEMA units will be removed upon delivery of the alternative housing unit.

Q. Can I add an addition onto my alternative housing unit?

A: If the unit is still owned by the state then no additional construction is allowed. If the tenant purchases their unit, then additions that meet local ordinances and permits may be constructed by the owner.

Q. What is the maximum amount of people I can have occupying a housing unit?

A: Alternative housing units will be awarded based on current FEMA data. Local ordinances will dictate occupancy maximums.

Q. Will you share tenant information with local governments?

A: Yes. Local governments will be provided occupancy information for alternative housing units.

Q. What actions will be taken to remove problem tenants in the alternative housing units?

A: Occupants will agree to have their occupant information shared with local law enforcement officials and will be subject to the same ordinances and laws as other citizens. If occupants abuse or misuse the housing unit or violate their occupancy agreement, they may be asked to vacate the unit.

Q. Can I accept a unit but have a family member (i.e. sister/child) live in it?

A: The purpose of the program is to help Hurricane Katrina victims who are currently living in FEMA temporary housing units. If an applicant is not going to live in the unit, you are not eligible to receive a unit.

PURCHASE

Q. If I am selected to receive an alternative housing unit, can I purchase it at the end of the program?

A: Yes, occupants will be allowed to purchase the unit at any time during the pilot program at fair market value. However some jurisdictions allow alternative housing units for temporary use only.

Q. Am I required to purchase insurance for my alternative housing unit?

A: You do not need insurance to cover your alternative housing unit while you are participating in the program. However, we HIGHLY recommend that occupant purchase renter's insurance to cover personal property. If you decide to purchase your unit, you will be responsible for securing your own homeowner's insurance.

Q. If I have bad credit. Can I still purchase the alternative housing unit?

A: Applicants will be responsible for their own financing.

Q. Will there be financial assistance if I cannot afford to buy this unit?

A: We will work with occupants to identify financial assistance from government agencies and non–profit groups.

LOCATION

Q. Where will the alternative housing unit be placed?

A: Most alternative housing units will be placed on individual lots. They can also be placed on commercial group sites, or other multi–family sites that may be identified through non–profit and volunteer organizations or local governments.

Q: Do I have to have land available, or does the state have designated locations for this alternative housing unit?

A: We are actively working with commercial sites, local government and non– profit groups to identify multi–family sites; however occupants may be responsible for finding a site for their alternative housing unit.

Q. Can I put my housing unit on a relative's land?

A: If the landowner agrees in writing to allow placement of a unit for the appropriate length of time and the tenant obtains all permits, the unit can be placed on any private property. Jurisdiction must approve these types of arrangements.

Q. What options do applicants have if the jurisdiction in which they live does not allow alternative housing units to be sited in their jurisdiction or on their property?

A: This program is voluntary for both applicants and local jurisdictions. We are working with local jurisdictions in an effort to gain their participation. Potential applicants living in jurisdictions that choose not to participate will be included in the initial random proportional selection process. Those selected will be notified and given the option to accept an alternative housing unit if they have an alternate location on which to place the unit or agree to move to a multi–family site in another area.

Q: Can the unit be placed in a flood zone?

A: The unit can be placed in a flood zone on a temporary basis, however if the unit is purchased, the unit then must adhere to all permits for that jurisdiction. The program will assist in the elevation process up to 4 feet.

Services offered: Grants, Community Development; Grants, Disaster Rebuilding; Grants, for Developers of Housing for People With Disabilities; Grants, for Developers of Low–Income Housing; Grants, for Developers of Senior Housing; Grants, Housing, Housing Related; Housing, Affordable Housing Builder, Gov't Sponsored; Housing, Affordable Housing, Ownership Program; Housing, Affordable Housing, Renters Programs; Housing, Fairly Priced Rental Housing for Disaster Survivors; Housing, Free Houses for Local Residents in Need; Housing, House, 2 BR, New; Housing, House, 3 BR, New; Housing, Listings for Disaster Survivors; Housing, Mobile Homes; Housing, Modular Trailers, Oversize; Housing, Portable Housing Units; Housing, Subsidized/ Low–Income Housing; Housing, Trailers; Housing, Trailer/Shelter Set–Up Services; Housing, Trailer, Travel Trailer; Housing,

Transitional Housing; Housing, Transitional Housing (For Battered Women/Children); Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; Services, Homeless, Services for the Homeless
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program; Government, US Gov't Sponsored (This Org IS Sponsored by US Gov); Homelessness Relief Services
Updated Feb 28, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2906

OR

Summer Food Service Program for Children

Walk–in Resource · Standby

Various
OR

Phone http://www.summerfoodoregon.org
Web www.summerfoodoregon.org
Service Temporary

Did you know that there are more than 400 sites in Oregon where children ages 1 through 18 can get a free meal and have some fun this summer? We have a searchable database of community sites across Oregon offering free lunches—and sometimes breakfasts and snacks—for all children.

Meal sites are hosted at a wide range of community locations, including parks, schools, community centers, churches, pools, etc

And because children find fun as important as food during summer vacation, many sites offer free or low–cost activities along with the meals.

This program is intended to serve children. However, in some cases, sites can sell meals to parents for a small fee, or provide free meals to parent volunteers. Check with staff at your local site for more information.

How the Summer Food Service Program Works
During the school year, thousands of Oregon children depend on free or reduced price meals each day. However, when school ends for the year, so does this important resource. The Summer Food Service Program is meant to help fill that nutritional gap.

Funding for meals is provided by the US Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Summer Food Service Program. All open sites are located in neighborhoods that USDA considers high need areas. However, no application or proof of income is needed to participate, and all children are welcome!

To find out which sponsors operate in your area, call the Oregon Hunger Relief Task Force, 503–595–5502, or see the meal sites list at website.
It's easier than ever to find summer food and fun. Just select your county to see a map and list of Summer Meal Sites near you.

At Summer Meal Sites, you'll find free lunches and often free activities too.

Services offered: Directories, Directory of Services, Regional; Directories, Directory of Services, Statewide; Directories of Services & Programs * (ANY/ALL Types); Directories, Online Database Resource; Food * (ANY/ALL Types); Food Distribution, Meals, Soup Kitchen; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Meals * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Resource Databases for Supplies/ Services (NO FEE); Youth Program
Campaigns: Government, US Government Program
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Capital Area Council of Governments

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Contact Betty Voights
Email bvoights @ capcog . org
Web www.capcog.org
Serves Serving Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, Travis, and Williamson Counties
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from the website (see website for links to each org/contact):

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http://www.capcog.org/about–capcog/

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What Is A Council Of Governments (COG)?

Councils of Governments are voluntary associations of counties, cities, and special districts formed under Texas law. These associations deal with the problems and planning needs that cross the boundaries of individual local governments or that require regional attention. Although known by several different names, including council of governments, regional planning commissions, associations of governments and area councils, they are most commonly referred to as "COGs".
Texas Councils of Governments

* PRPC/ Panhandle Regional Planning Commission
* SPAG/ South Plains Association of Governments
* NORTEX/ Nortex Regional Planning Commission
* NCTCOG /North Central Texas Council of Governments
* ATCOG /ARK–Tex Council of Governments
* ETCOG/ East Texas Council of Governments
* WCTCOG/ West Central Texas Council of Governments
* RGCOG/ Rio Grande Council of Governments
* PBRPC/ Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission
* CVCOG/ Concho Valley Council of Governments
* HOTCOG/ Heart of Texas Council of Governments
* CAPCOG/ Capital Area Council of Governments
* BVDC/ Brazos Valley Development Council
* DETCOG/ Deep East Texas Council of Governments
* SETRPC/ South East Texas Regional Planning Commission
* H–GAC/ Houston–Galveston Area Council
* GCRPC/ Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission
* AACOG/ Alamo Area Council of Governments
* STDC/ South Texas Development Council
* CBCOG/ Coastal Bend Council of Governments
* LRGVDC/ Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
* TEXOMA/ Texoma Council of Governments
* CTCOG/ Central Texas Council of Governments
* MRGDC/ Middle Rio Grande Council Development Council

Services offered: Documentation, Disaster Planning; Information Resource, County Resources, Contacts & Services (County Level); Information Resource, Demographic Information; Information Resource, Disaster Prep, Governments/Community Groups
Campaigns: 2011 Texas Wildfires; Government, City/Town Agency; Government, County/Parish Agency; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a Chapter Level Member)
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Freddie Mac, Gustav Impacted Homes: Mortgage Relief Programs

Info/Hotline · Open

Housing Resource
TX

Phone (703) 903–3933
Contact write or call for details
Email corprel@freddiemac.com
Web freddiemac.com/singlefamily/relief.html
Service Temporary

http://freddiemac.com/news/archives/servicing/2008/20080903_gustav.html

For Immediate Release
September 03, 2008
Contact: corprel@freddiemac.com
or (703) 903–3933

FREDDIE MAC EXTENDS MORTGAGE RELIEF TO BORROWERS AFFECTED BY HURRICANE GUSTAV

McLean, VA – Freddie Mac (NYSE: FRE) today reminded its servicers of the disaster relief options available to borrowers with Freddie Mac–owned mortgages who were affected by Hurricane Gustav. Freddie Mac is one of the nation's largest investors in residential mortgages.

"Freddie Mac and the nation's mortgage servicers will work together to bring some measure of financial relief to homeowners affected by Hurricane Gustav" said Ingrid Beckles, vice president of servicing and asset management at Freddie Mac. "Borrowers affected by Hurricane Gustav should contact their mortgage servicers for mortgage relief if their homes have been damaged or destroyed."

Servicers can offer relief under Freddie Mac guidelines to borrowers whose homes were damaged or destroyed, as well as borrowers who may be unable to make their mortgage payments because they were evacuated to avoid the storm. Servicers should assess each case individually to determine if relief is warranted and which option best fits the homeowner's circumstances.

In addition, Freddie Mac gives servicers the discretion to reduce or suspend mortgage payments or foreclosure proceedings for up to 12 months for borrowers with Freddie Mac–owned mortgages in federally declared major–disaster areas where individual assistance was provided.

Freddie Mac also strongly encourages servicers to extend several other measures to help affected borrowers with Freddie Mac–owned loans:

Waiving assessments of penalties or late fees against borrowers with disaster–damaged homes; and,
Not reporting borrowers to the nation's credit bureaus when a forbearance or repayment plan has been extended because of the disaster.
For more information on Freddie Mac disaster relief policies, see freddiemac.com/singlefamily/relief.html.

Freddie Mac is a stockholder–owned corporation established by Congress in 1970 to provide liquidity, stability and affordability to the nation's residential mortgage markets. Freddie Mac raises capital on Wall Street and throughout the world's capital markets to finance mortgages for families across America. Over the years, Freddie Mac has made home possible for one in six homebuyers and more than five million renters.

Services offered: Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Housing, Mortgage Assistance; Financial Assistance, Housing, Mortgage Loan Deferment Assistance; Housing, Affordable Housing, Ownership Program
Campaigns: 2008 Hurricane Gustav; Government, US Deptartment of Housing & Urban Development (HUD); Government, US Government Program
Updated Dec 24, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3996

VT

FEMA Open DRC (Disaster Recovery Centers) 2011 Storms, Irene

Walk–in Resource · Open

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Web www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=57878
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Vermonters May Now Visit Woodstock Disaster Recovery Center

Release Date: September 12, 2011
Release Number: 4022–013

» More Information on Vermont Tropical Storm Irene

BURLINGTON, Vt. –– The town of Woodstock has been added to the list of disaster recovery center locations open to help Vermonters affected by Tropical Storm Irene.

The recovery centers are staffed with disaster recovery specialists from various federal, state and local agencies and organizations who can answer questions about disaster assistance programs.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's individual assistance program covers expenses for temporary housing, home repairs, replacement of damaged personal property and other disaster–related needs, such as medical, dental or transportation costs not covered by insurance or other programs.

Homeowners and renters may also be eligible for low–interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration. Some applicants may receive an SBA loan application after registering with FEMA. No one is obligated to take out a loan. But if they don't complete the application, they will not be considered for other federal grants.

Anyone who has a question about disaster loans may visit a disaster recovery center to speak with an SBA representative. Staff specialists are also available at the centers to answer other disaster assistance questions. Specialists at the recovery centers can refer applicants to voluntary agencies and provide information to reduce damage in possible future disasters.

Disaster officials encourage those affected by the storms to register with FEMA before visiting a disaster recovery center by calling 800–621–FEMA (3362), online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or via a web–enabled mobile device at m.fema.gov.

Multilingual registration assistance is available. Those with a speech disability or hearing loss who use a TTY can call 800–462–7585 directly; or 800–621–3362 if using 711 or Video Relay Service.

Applicants who would like to speak to disaster specialists face–to–face can visit a center near them between 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week until further notice:

The Rock Church
473 Woodstock Road
Woodstock, VT 05091

Rutland Heart Center
1 Commons Street
Rutland, VT 05701

Dover Town Hall
120 Taft Brook Road
Dover, VT 05341

U.S. Post Office (Upstairs)
2046 Route 4
Killington, VT 05751

Barre Municipal Auditorium
16 Auditorium Hill
Barre, VT 05641

Living Memorial Park Skating Rink
61 Memorial Park Drive
Brattleboro, VT 05301

Waterbury Fire Department
43 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05676

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 800–621–FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800–462–7585; or call 800–621–3362 if using 711 or Video Relay Service (VRS).

FEMA's temporary housing assistance and grants for public transportation expenses, medical and dental expenses, and funeral and burial expenses do not require individuals to apply for an SBA loan. However, applicants who receive SBA loan applications must submit them to SBA loan officers to be eligible for assistance that covers personal property, vehicle repair or replacement, and moving and storage expenses.

SBA disaster loan information and application forms may be obtained by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at 800–659–2955 (800–877–8339 for people with speech or hearing disabilities) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. ET or by sending an e–mail to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. Applications can also be downloaded from www.sba.gov or completed on–line at disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/.

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

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Services offered: Assistance, Disaster Relief Assistance, Online Registration; Assistance, Housing, Relocation Assistance for Disaster Survivors; Assistance, How to, File Disaster Disability Benefits; Assistance, How To, File Disaster Unemployment Claims; Assistance, How To, Loan & Grant Application Assistance (Disaster Survivors); Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, How To, Navigating Disaster Survivor Insurance Process ; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Referrals (For Seniors/Elders); Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Short–Term Housing Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Information & Referral (For Seniors/Elders); Case Management, Disaster Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Documentation, Disaster Recovery Process; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Individual/Family; Donations, Disaster Fund; Donations, Financial/Monetary Donations; FEMA Information Station (Mitigation/Rebuilding Guidance/Tips); Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Heating Fuel; Financial Assistance, Housing, Mortgage Assistance; Financial Assistance, Housing, Motel Accomodations for Disaster Survivors; Financial Assistance, Housing, Rental Assistance; Financial Assistance, Housing, Rental Deposit; Financial Assistance, Loans, Low Interest Loans; Financial Assistance, Medical Expenses; Financial Assistance, Medical, Prescription Assistance; Financial Assistance, Medical, Prescription Assistance (For Seniors/Elders/Disabled); Financial Assistance, Referrals, Temporary Financial Assistance Referrals; Financial Assistance, Utility Bill Assistance; Financial Assistance, Utility Bill Assistance (For Seniors/Elders); Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Grants, Disaster Rebuilding; Grants, Financial, Small Business Development; Grants, Housing, Housing Related; Grants, Post Disaster (For Rent/Belongings/Home Repairs/Rebuilding, etc.);

Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Housing, Housing Assistance, Relocation $ for Survivors; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Navigating the Disaster Recovery Process; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response; Shelter * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2011 Hurricane Irene/Tropical Storm Irene; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; EMA (Emergency Management Agency) Regional/County; Government, City/Town Agency; Government, County/Parish Agency; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, Federal; Government, Federal, In–Country; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA, DRC (Disaster Recovery Center); Government, FEMA (this item ONLY for actual FEMA/HQ contacts/entries); Government Housing Authority; Government, Small Business Administration (SBA); Government, State/County; Government, State Government Department/ Agency; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program; Government, US Government Site; Government, US Gov't Sponsored (This Org IS Sponsored by US Gov); Government, US/ State Dept. of Health & Human Services (DHHS); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee
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WA

IMSURT – West (International Medical Surgical Response Team)

Medical Facility · Open

Seattle, WA
Web www.imsurtwest.com
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IMSuRT–West is a specialized team of highly trained personnel and is equipped to establish a fully capable free–standing field surgical surgical unit anywhere in the world

FLORIDA –
http://fl5dmat.com/

MASSACHUSETTS –
Affiliated with the Massachusetts General Hospital and attached to MA–1 DMAT

http://www.massgeneral.org/about/newsarticle.aspx?id=1485
http://www2.massgeneral.org/news/releases/010704imsurt.htm?id=9930

HAITI EARTHQUAKE –
February 2010
Pharmacist's Out–of–the–Box Thinking Helps Haitian Earthquake Victims
http://www.ashp.org/import/news/HealthSystemPharmacyNews/newsarticle.aspx?id=3266

Services offered: Medical, Services, Emergency Medical Services; Medical, Services, Medical Care * (ANY/ALL Types); Medical, Services, Visiting Specialty Teams * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: Government, US Government Program
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Other locations

00 – FEMA National Response Framework

Info/Hotline · Open

FEMA
Web www.fema.gov/emergency/nrf
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The National Response Framework presents the guiding principles that enable all response partners to prepare for and provide a unified national response to disasters and emergencies – from the smallest incident to the largest catastrophe. The Framework establishes a comprehensive, national, all–hazards approach to domestic incident response.

Roles/Scope of work, by organization: http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nrf/nrf–esf–intro.pdf

Services offered: Documentation, Disaster Planning; Documentation, Disaster Preparedness, Businesses; Documentation, Disaster Preparedness Guidance, Community Groups; Documentation, Disaster Recovery Process; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Community Groups; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Roles; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Supply Management; Government, Homeland Security & Office of Emergency Preparedness; Information Resource, Booklets, Resource Materials for Volunteers; Information Resource, Disaster Prep, Businesses; Information Resource, Disaster Prep, Governments/Community Groups; Information Resource, Disaster Prep, Relief Workers; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Training, Database Training Notes
Campaigns: Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security, National Shelter System (NSS); Government, FEMA (this item ONLY for actual FEMA/HQ contacts/entries); Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program; Government, US Government Site;

Government, US Gov't Sponsored (This Org IS Sponsored by US Gov); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member)
Updated Jul 26, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4051

Federal Bonding Program (FBP) via the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL), Insurance Program to Help Employers Hire "at risk" Employees (ex–offenders, ex–addicts, etc)

Info/Hotline · Open

Federal Program
Phone 1.877.US2.JOBS (1.877.872.5627)
Web www.bonds4jobs.com/index.html
Service Permanent

This is a program that helps "hard to place" job applicants by providing an employer some "insurance" that if it doesn't work out that the employer will be compensated for "loss of money or property sustained through the dishonest acts of their employees". Reportedly, it's REALLY easy for both employee and
employer to use this program. The "local social services agency" purchases the bond.

From the website:

1. Fidelity Bonds can be purchased in packages of 25, 50, 75, and 100 bond units. Each bond unit provides $5,000 employee dishonesty insurance for a six–month period.

2. Bond package costs are as follows:

No. Bond Units Total Package Cost Cost Per Unit
25 $ 2,450 $ 98
50 $ 4,600 $ 92
75 $ 6,550 $ 87
100 $ 8,400 $ 84

NOTE: If necessary, two or more agencies can combine resources to purchase a bond package.

Other terms/procedures apply.
See: http://www.bonds4jobs.com/bond–pkg–availability–purchase.html

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From the website:

Individuals Seeking Bonding

The Federal Bonding Program provides fidelity bonding for the first six months of employment for hard–to–place job applicants. If you are seeking bonding services and/or a job you should call the toll–free number for:

1. the location of the workforce office/one–stop center nearest your home and, 2. the telephone number of the State Bonding Coordinator for your state.

In those states without a state bonding coordinator, callers will be referred to the nearest career center/ one–stop center for employment assistance.

BACKGROUND AND DETAILS:

* Home http://www.bonds4jobs.com/index.html
* Program Background http://www.bonds4jobs.com/program–background.html
* Highlights of the Federal Bonding Program http://www.bonds4jobs.com/highlights.html

* Seeking Bonding? http://www.bonds4jobs.com/individual–seeking–bonding.html>
* Procedures for Bond Purchases & Management
o Bond Package Availability & Purchase
http://www.bonds4jobs.com/bond–pkg–availability–purchase.html
o Procedures for Bond Issuance & Management
http://www.bonds4jobs.com/procedures–bond–issuance.html
o Forms and Attachments http://www.bonds4jobs.com/forms.html

* Directory of State Bonding Coordinators
http://www.bonds4jobs.com/state–coordinators.html
* Marketing Tools http://www.bonds4jobs.com/marketing–tools.html>
* News & Resources http://www.bonds4jobs.com/news–resources.html>

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From the news release:

In 1966, the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL) created the Federal Bonding Program (FBP) as an employer job–hire incentive that guaranteed the job honesty of at–risk job seekers. Federal financing of Fidelity Bond insurance, issued free–of–charge to employers, enabled the delivery of bonding services as a unique job placement tool to assist ex–offenders, and other at–risk/ hard–to–place job applicants (e.g., recovering substance abusers, welfare recipients, poor credits, etc.) The various State Employment Services (ES) comprised the national delivery system for issuing to employers the bonds that USDOL had purchased from the Aetna Casualty and Surety Company (now owned by and operated as Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America; referred to hereafter as TRAVELERS).

Job seekers who have in the past committed a fraudulent or dishonest act, or who have demonstrated other past behavior casting doubt upon their credibility or honesty, very often are rejected for employment due to their personal backgrounds. Their past life experience presents an obstacle to their future ability to secure employment. More specifically, employers view these applicants as being "at–risk" and potentially untrustworthy workers. This fear is further heightened by the fact that Fidelity Bond insurance commercially purchased by employers to protect against employee dishonesty usually will not cover at–risk persons because they are designated by insurance companies as being "NOT BONDABLE." As a result, these job applicants are routinely denied employment.

Ex–offenders, including anyone with a record of arrest, conviction or imprisonment, and anyone who has ever been on probation or parole, are at–risk job applicants. When you combine figures for the U.S. inmate population and the offender population in the free community who are now on probation or parole, the total number of persons "under correctional supervision" approaches 7 million individuals (1 in every 32 U.S. adults). More than 600,000 inmates are released from prison or jail annually. Past experiences reveal that 67% of them will be recidivists(i.e., return to crime and incarceration within three years of their release). Failure to become employed after release is a major factor
contributing to the high rate of recidivism. Having a record of arrest, conviction or imprisonment functions as a significant barrier to employment since employers generally view ex–offenders as potentially untrustworthy workers and insurance companies usually designate ex–offenders as being "not bondable" for job honesty.

Similarly at–risk and NOT BONDABLE are recovering substance abusers(alcohol and/or drug abuse), welfare recipients and other persons having a poor credit record or who have declared bankruptcy, economically disadvantaged youth who lack a work history, and individuals who were dishonorably discharged from the military. Others searching for work also can be classified as at–risk if the barrier to their employment can be eliminated by making them bondable.

Fidelity Bonding is insurance purchased to indemnify employers for loss of money or property sustained through the dishonest acts of their employees (i.e., theft, forgery, larceny, and embezzlement). This "employee dishonesty insurance" is generally considered a good business management practice, and is purchased by most employers. However, while other types of commercially purchased insurance set premiums that vary according to the degree of risk(e.g., life insurance), Fidelity Bond premiums are always low due to being based upon taking low risk. As a result, insurance companies usually will not cover at–risk persons under commercially purchased Fidelity Bonds, a practice that has created a special barrier to employment for the very large and growing number of individuals who have encountered the criminal justice system in the U.S., as well as other persons whose personal credibility is questionable.

With the great expansion of database creation and access through computer use in the past 20 years, employers now can almost instantly do a "background check" to determine if a job applicant has any criminal record or has a poor personal financial credit history (80% of employers now make such checks according to the Society of Human Resources Management). The use of background checks on job applicants has increased significantly since the terrorist events on September 11, 2001. Since ex–offenders are not bondable under commercial employee dishonesty insurance policies (i.e., Fidelity Bonds) usually purchased by employers, an increasing number of persons seeking work are being routinely denied jobs due to being confronted with bonding as a barrier to employment. Only through their participation in the FBP can they become bondable.

The bonds issued by the FBP serve as a job placement tool by guaranteeing to the employer the job honesty of at–risk job seekers. Employers receive the bonds free–of–charge as an incentive to hire hard–to–place job applicants as wage earners. The FBP bond insurance was designed to reimburse the employer for any loss due to employee theft of money or property with no deductible amount to become the employer's liability (i.e., 100% bond insurance coverage). The USDOL experiment has proved to be a great success, with over 42,000 job placements made for at–risk job seekers who were automatically made bondable. Since approximately 460 proved to be dishonest workers, bonding services as a job placement tool can be considered to have a 99% success rate.

Fidelity Bonding service delivery has been streamlined to take only a few minutes time, and efficiently serve the operational needs of local staffs who are already burdened by other paperwork and processing delays. The "user friendly" character of the FBP is reflected in its key operating features as follows:

* NO special application form for job seeker to complete
* NO bond approval processing – local staff instantly issue bonds to employers
* NO papers for employer to submit or sign to obtain free bond incentive for job hire
* NO follow–up and NO termination actions required by bond issued
* NO deductible in bond insurance amount if employee dishonesty occurs
* NO age requirements for bondee (other than legal working age in State)
* NO other U.S. program provides Fidelity Bonding services
* NO Federal regulations covering bonds issued

Bond issuance can apply to any job at any employer in any State, and covers any employee dishonesty committed on or away from the employer's work facility. Any full or part–time employee paid wages (with Federal taxes automatically deducted from pay) can be bonded, including persons hired by "temp. agencies." However, self–employed persons cannot be covered by these Fidelity Bonds. While assisting job seekers in securing employment is the main goal of the FBP, bonds are also issued to cover already employed workers who need bonding to prevent being laid off or to secure transfer or promotion to a different job at their company. Service delivery efficiency is inherent to bonding because its cost
occurs only when a job placement is generated or maintained for an individual whose background is a significant barrier to securing or retaining employment.

After more than 40 years of operational success demonstrated by the FBP, continued total dependence on direct USDOL funding of Fidelity Bonds (i.e., bond premiums paid to TRAVELERS) became no longer feasible in October 1997 due to the Federal decentralization to State and local levels of authority/funds/planning for job placement and other employment and training services. As a result, USDOL ordered a redirection of the FBP requiring that State and local funds (including WIA and other Federal allocations) be used to purchase bonds. Any public agency or private community–based–organization or private industry group now can directly acquire bonds and deliver bonding services through purchase of a bond package in accordance with the Guidelines on the Purchase and Use of Fidelity Bonds issued by The McLaughlin Company as exclusive agent for TRAVELERS for the FBP . USDOL has recognized the past success of the FBP and supports having the unique job placement resource of bonding services sustained in the future as a Federal–State partnership.

National management and direction for the FBP is provided by The McLaughlin Company in Washington, D.C., under contract with the USDOL's Employment and Training Administration (ETA). The McLaughlin Company is a national insurance brokerage firm serving as the exclusive agent for TRAVELERS which issues Fidelity Bonds nationwide under the FBP. The FBP Director is Ron Rubbin and the FBP Coordinator is Roland Brack.

See Program Highlights <http://www.bonds4jobs.com/highlights.html>

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PHONE: 800.233.2258 or 202.293.5566

Services offered: Advocacy, Employment, "At–Risk" Job Applicants; Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Advocacy, Special Needs Folks; Assistance, Referrals, Employment & Job Resources; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Facility: Job Center; Hotline, Job Hotline; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Insurance Advice and Guidelines for Disaster Survivors; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; Medical, Services, Rehabilitation Program; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Employee Bonding Program; Services, Employment, Internship Program; Services, Employment, Job Assistance, for "at–risk" Job Applicants; Services, Family, General Family Assistance; Services, Financial, for Folks w/Bad Credit (that want to get better); Services, for "at–risk" Job Applicants; Services, for ex–addicts; Services, for ex–offenders; Services, For Folks Trying To Get Off Welfare; Services, Humanitarian Aid ; Services, Insurance, for employers employing "at–risk" employees; Services, Legal Assistance; Services, Social Services, General Social Services; Services, Substance Abuse Treatment (Drug/Alcohology) ; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: Government, US Department of Labor; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program
Updated Oct 5, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2795

FEMA Housing Database for Survivors (Find Rentals set aside for Survivors)

Info/Hotline · Open

Housing Resource
Web asd.fema.gov/inter/hportal/home.htm
Service Temporary

This is a listing of rental housing available to survivors via various sources, such as HUD.

Sept 2010 only 15 states were represented, and few listings, in total. But it's a nice tool, probably worth checking out if you're a disaster surivor looking for housing.

Of course, check with your local housing authority, too... via City/Town Hall.

Services offered: Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Disabled, Accessible Housing Referrals for Disabled; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Referrals (For Seniors/Elders); Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Short–Term Housing Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Information & Referral (For Seniors/Elders); Demographic Served: Homeless; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Directories, Directory of Services, City/Town; Directories, Directory of Services, County/Parish; Directories, Directory of Services, National; Directories, Directory of Services, Regional; Directories, Directory of Services, Statewide; Directories of Services & Programs * (ANY/ALL Types); Directories, Online Database Resource; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Community Groups; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Individual/Family; Financial Assistance, Housing, Rental Assistance; Government, Homeland Security & Office of Emergency Preparedness; Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Hotline, Crisis Hotline; Housing, Affordable Housing, Renters Programs; Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Housing, Apartments; Housing, Fairly Priced Rental Housing for Disaster Survivors; Housing, Housing Assistance, Relocation $ for Survivors; Housing, Online Housing Directory Resource; Housing, Rental Listings; Housing,

Subsidized/Low–Income Housing; Housing, Transitional Housing; Information Resource, ADA & Useful Info for Disabled Folks; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, County Resources, Contacts & Services (County Level); Information Resource, Evacuation, Disaster Evacuation Guidance for Residents in Disaster Zones; Information Resource, Navigating the Disaster Recovery Process; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Resource Databases for Supplies/Services ($ FEE–BASED, NOT FREE); Resource Databases for Supplies/Services (NO FEE); Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response; Services, Social Services, General Social Services; Shelter * (ANY/ALL Types); Support for "All Local" Disasters; Tech, Data Solution Architects, Humanitarian
Campaigns: EMA (Emergency Management Agency) Regional/County; Government, City/Town Agency; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security, National Shelter System (NSS); Government, FEMA, DRC (Disaster Recovery Center); Government, FEMA (this item ONLY for actual FEMA/HQ contacts/ entries); Government, State/County; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Deptartment of Housing & Urban Development (HUD); Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program; Government, US Government Site; Government, US Gov't Sponsored (This Org IS Sponsored by US Gov); Government, US/State Dept. of Health & Human Services (DHHS); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee
Updated Sep 3, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6261

FEMA Press Release, Disaster Aid to Renters

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=56624
Service Temporary

Renters Should Not Miss Out on Disaster Assistance

Release Date: July 13, 2011
Release Number: 1974–107

NASHVILLE, Tenn. –– If you think you are automatically ineligible for federal disaster assistance because you do not own a home, think again.

Renters, too, may qualify for help from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and other sources if they experienced losses in the recent severe storms, tornadoes and flooding.

"Disaster aid is not limited to homeowners," said Tennessee Emergency Management Agency Director Jim Bassham. "Thanks to rental support programs, many renters who sustained damage in this disaster can receive the boost they need to get back on their feet."

"The storms and flooding that hit Tennessee didn't discriminate between homeowners and renters," agreed the Federal Coordinating Officer, W. Montague Winfield. "FEMA is here to ensure that all survivors get the assistance they are eligible to receive."

FEMA offers two kinds of help to eligible renters:

* Money to rent a different place for a limited time while repairs are done to a home that was made uninhabitable by the storms, tornadoes and flooding;
* Free assistance in finding replacement rental property.

Renters and homeowners alike may also be eligible for Other Needs Assistance, designed to help survivors with uninsured necessary expenses and serious needs caused by the disaster. This money can be used for:

* Disaster–related medical and dental expenses;
* Replacement or repair of personal property, including clothing, tools, equipment and household items such as room furnishings and appliances;
* Vehicles damaged by the disaster.

To qualify for any of this aid, renters must register with FEMA by Aug. 9, 2011.

To register by phone, call 800–621–FEMA (3362) from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. local time. The TTY number is 800–462–7585.

By computer, go online to www.DisasterAssistance.gov or by smartphone or tablet to m.fema.gov.

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 800–621–FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800–462–7585.

FEMA's housing assistance and Other Needs Assistance grants for medical, dental, and funeral expenses do not require individuals to apply for an SBA loan. However, applicants who receive SBA loan applications must submit them to SBA loan officers to be considered for assistance that covers personal property, vehicle repair or replacement, and moving and storage expenses. Applicants who do not qualify for a SBA loan may be eligible to receive Other Needs Assistance grants for these items.

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

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Services offered: Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Directories, Directory of Services, Grants Info, Listings, News & Referrals; Directories, Financial Assistance Programs; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Housing, Rental Assistance; Financial Assistance, Housing, Rental Deposit; Financial Assistance, Medical Expenses; Financial Assistance, Medical, Prescription Assistance; Financial Assistance, Medical, Prescription Assistance (For Seniors/Elders/Disabled); Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Grants, Disaster Rebuilding; Grants, Health and Human Services; Grants, Housing, Housing Related; Grants, Post Disaster (For Rent/Belongings/Home Repairs/Rebuilding, etc.); Services, Family, General Family Assistance; Services, Humanitarian Aid ; Vouchers * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Georgia Tornados; 2011 Massachusetts Tornado; 2011 Mississippi Tornado; 2011 Missouri Tornado; 2011 North Dakota Flood; 2011 Other Disasters; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; 2011 Texas Wildfires; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, Federal; Government, Federal, In–Country; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA, DRC (Disaster Recovery Center); Government, FEMA (this item ONLY for actual FEMA/HQ contacts/entries); Government Housing Authority; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Deptartment of Housing & Urban Development (HUD); Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program; Government, US Government Site; Government, US Gov't Sponsored (This Org IS Sponsored by US Gov); Government, US/State Dept. of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
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Freddie Mac, Mortgage Assistance Programs for Disaster Survivors

Info/Hotline · Open

Housing Resource

Phone (703) 903–3933
Contact call or write for details
Email corprel@freddiemac.com
Web freddiemac.com/singlefamily/relief.html
Service Temporary

http://freddiemac.com/news/archives/servicing/2008/20080903_gustav.html

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Contact: corprel@freddiemac.com
or (703) 903–3933

FREDDIE MAC EXTENDS MORTGAGE RELIEF TO BORROWERS AFFECTED BY HURRICANE GUSTAV

McLean, VA – Freddie Mac (NYSE: FRE) today reminded its servicers of the disaster relief options available to borrowers with Freddie Mac–owned mortgages who were affected by Hurricane Gustav. Freddie Mac is one of the nation's largest investors in residential mortgages.

"Freddie Mac and the nation's mortgage servicers will work together to bring some measure of financial relief to homeowners affected by Hurricane Gustav" said Ingrid Beckles, vice president of servicing and asset management at Freddie Mac. "Borrowers affected by Hurricane Gustav should contact their mortgage servicers for mortgage relief if their homes have been damaged or destroyed."

Servicers can offer relief under Freddie Mac guidelines to borrowers whose homes were damaged or destroyed, as well as borrowers who may be unable to make their mortgage payments because they were evacuated to avoid the storm. Servicers should assess each case individually to determine if relief is warranted and which option best fits the homeowner's circumstances.

In addition, Freddie Mac gives servicers the discretion to reduce or suspend mortgage payments or foreclosure proceedings for up to 12 months for borrowers with Freddie Mac–owned mortgages in federally declared major–disaster areas where individual assistance was provided.

Freddie Mac also strongly encourages servicers to extend several other measures to help affected borrowers with Freddie Mac–owned loans:

Waiving assessments of penalties or late fees against borrowers with disaster–damaged homes; and,
Not reporting borrowers to the nation's credit bureaus when a forbearance or repayment plan has been extended because of the disaster.
For more information on Freddie Mac disaster relief policies, see freddiemac.com/singlefamily/relief.html.

Freddie Mac is a stockholder–owned corporation established by Congress in 1970 to provide liquidity, stability and affordability to the nation's residential mortgage markets. Freddie Mac raises capital on Wall Street and throughout the world's capital markets to finance mortgages for families across America. Over the years, Freddie Mac has made home possible for one in six homebuyers and more than five million renters.

Services offered: Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Housing, Mortgage Assistance; Financial Assistance, Housing, Mortgage Loan Deferment

Assistance; Housing, Affordable Housing, Ownership Program; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: Government, US Deptartment of Housing & Urban Development (HUD); Government, US Government Program
Updated Dec 24, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3997

HRSA US Dept of Health & Human Services (find clinics)

Info/Hotline · Open

Government Agency
Web findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov/Search_HCC.aspx
Service Temporary

from the website:

Federally–funded health centers care for you, even if you have no health insurance. You pay what you can afford, based on your income. Health centers provide

– checkups when you're well
– treatment when you're sick
– complete care when you're pregnant
– immunizations and checkups for your children
– dental care and prescription drugs for your family
– mental health and substance abuse care if you need it

Health centers are in most cities and many rural areas. Go to the website above. Type in your address and click the 'Find Health Centers' button to find health centers near you.

NOTE: The data used for the tool found at the website above is from the HRSA Geospatial Data Warehouse. See the website for update date information.
HELP: CallCenter@hrsa.gov or (877) 464–4772, Monday through Friday (except Federal holidays), 9 am to 5:30 pm ET.

Services offered: Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Health Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Information & Referral (For Seniors/Elders); Assistance, Referrals, Medical Resources Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Mental Health Resources; Assistance, Referrals, Services for Special Needs Folks; Assistance, Referrals, Substance Abuse Treatment Referrals & Resources; Assistance, Referrals, Youth Services; Directories, Directory of Services, City/Town; Directories, Directory of Services, County/Parish; Directories, Directory of Services, National; Directories, Directory of Services, Regional; Directories, Directory of Services, Statewide; Directories, Online Database Resource; Government, Department of Social Services (DSS); Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Hotline, Health Information/Resource Hotline; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Medical, Facility, Clinic, Free Clinic; Resource Databases for Supplies/Services (NO FEE)
Campaigns: Government, City/Town Agency; Government, County/Parish Agency; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, Federal; Government, Federal, In–Country; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security, National Shelter System (NSS); Government, FEMA, DRC (Disaster Recovery Center); Government, Medicaid; Government, State/County; Government, State Government Department/Agency; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program; Government, US Government Site; Government, US/State Dept. of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
Updated Jun 10, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8585

HUD – Rebuild Healthy Homes

Info/Hotline · Open

Federal Program
Phone (504) 382 – 0515
Web www.rebuildhealthyhomes.com

Rebuild Healthy Homes is a free training program that teaches homeowners and workers in New Orleans how to safely rehabilitate properties damaged by hurricanes. The training addresses all of the most significant safety issues that anyone rehabilitating a hurricane–damaged home faces and works to ensure that anyone working on hurricane–damaged homes protects themselves properly in an effort to reduce the number of work–related injuries and illnesses.

Services offered: Cleanup, House Gutting, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, Kill Mold/Mildew, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, Mold Removal Info; Cleanup, Mold Removal/Remediation, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, * Volunteer Services (ANY/ALL Types); Construction, Building Material Reclaim/Reuse/Recycle; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Booklets, Resource Materials for Volunteers; Information Resource, Katrina Related; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; Katrina News Source; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Construction, Bio–Remediation Instruction; Training Classes, Construction, Mold Remediation; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Volunteer Training; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Safety Training; Training, Information Resource, Cleanup, Mold Removal ; Training, Information Resource, Guide, Safe House Gutting
Campaigns: Government, US Deptartment of Housing & Urban Development (HUD); Government, US Government Program
Updated Aug 2, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1605

IncidentNews

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.incidentnews.gov
Service Temporary

Services offered: Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Environmental Impacts
Campaigns: Ending Pollution; Government, US Government Program
Updated Dec 21, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4813

NOAA's Office of Response and Restoration Response to Hurricane Katrina

Info/Hotline · Open

Web response.restoration.noaa.gov/audience_subtopic_entry.php?entry_id=424&subtopic_id=25&audience_id=4
Serves States of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama
Service Temporary

In the wake of Hurricane Katrina, OR&R provided invaluable scientific support to the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the States of Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama in their response efforts. OR&R and the NOAA Restoration Center also worked with state and federal partners to assess the impacts to natural resources and to plan for restoration, within the context of the broader recovery efforts.

ASSESSMENT –
Source:
http://www.weather.gov/os/assessments/index.shtml

Hurricane Katrina, August 23–31, 2005
http://www.weather.gov/os/assessments/pdfs/Katrina.pdf

OTHER INFO at:

The purpose of this page is to provide a list of useful resources that examine the Hurricane Katrina disaster. To limit the scope of the page and for the purposes of quality control, the resources below are relevant to the event itself and not just what it means for the future of the hazards and disasters field and are limited to government reports, books, a few pertinent Web sites, and peer–reviewed journal articles.
http://www.colorado.edu/hazards/dr/archives/dr563.html

Services offered: Documentary (Katrina Related); Information Resource, Katrina Related
Campaigns: Ending Pollution; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Program
Updated Feb 25, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4814

US Dept of Energy: Guide to Energy Savings (Consumer/Business)

Info/Hotline · Open

Federal Program
Phone website only
Web apps1.eere.energy.gov/consumer
Service Temporary

This site is a great resource for info about your options for saving energy and using renewable energy at home, at work, in your community, and while driving.

It provides overviews of technology options.

It does stop short, however, of cost estimating at this particular site. BUT it refers you to this list of "calculators":

http://www1.eere.energy.gov/consumer/calculators/renewable_energy_systems.html

The list also provides links to:

wind maps
solar maps

Services offered: Demographic Served: Sustainable Communities; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Maps, Solar Maps; Information Resource, Maps, Wind Maps; Resource Databases for Supplies/Services (NO FEE); Resource Website for "Green" (incl socially just) Products/Services; Resource Website for "Green" Living Suggestions
Campaigns: Global Warming Relief Supplies/Services; Government, US Dept of Energy; Government, US Government Program; Government, US Government Site
Updated Nov 5, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3821