Financial Help After the Disaster

Money is available for basic home repairs, rental of temporary housing and other uninsured expenses resulting from the April storms and flooding in Alcona, Allegan, Alpena, Antrim, Barry, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Gratiot, Iosco, Kalamazoo, Kalkaska, Manistee, Mecosta, Montcalm, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola, Presque Isle, Roscommon, Saginaw, Washtenaw, and Wexford counties. File your insurance claim first, then apply to FEMA.

FEMA Assistance May Include:

- Money you can use to rent temporary housing if you can't return home because of the disaster.
- Money to pay for hotel stays or other temporary lodging.
- Money to help with basic repairs to your home caused by disaster damage.
- An initial, flexible payment so you can purchase items such as water, food, first aid, prescriptions and other immediate needs.
- Money to help you repair or replace appliances, room furnishings, a personal or family computer damaged by the disaster, books, uniforms, tools, additional computers and other items required for school or work, including self-employment.
- Money to help you pay for medical expenses because the disaster caused an injury or illness.
- Money to help you pay for funeral or reburial expenses caused by the disaster.
- Money to help you pay for increased or new childcare expenses caused by the disaster.
- Money to help you repair or replace a vehicle damaged by the disaster.
- Money to help you move and store personal property from your home to prevent additional damage.
- Money to help people with a disability make repairs to ensure the home is accessible.
- Money to help repair a privately owned road or bridge that provides the only access to the home.

How do I apply?

The fastest way to apply is online at DisasterAssistance.gov or the Spanish language DisasterAssistance.gov/es. If you need more information or additional help:

- Download the FEMA App
- Call the FEMA helpline at 1-800-621-3362 for assistance in multiple languages.

If you use a relay service, such as Video Relay Service (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA your number for that service. To view an accessible video on how to apply, visit What You Need to Know Before Applying for FEMA Assistance

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