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News Release

FEMA Assistance Available for March 30 - April 8 Storms

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Missourians in 20 counties, who have uninsured damage to their primary home or personal property resulting from the March 30 – April 8 severe storms are now eligible to apply for FEMA assistance. The deadline to apply for assistance is Dec. 22, 2025.

President Trump made the federal assistance available earlier this week when he approved a Major Disaster Declaration request from Governor Mike Kehoe to help with eligible costs associated with the late-March and early-April severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding.

The assistance, under FEMA's Individuals and Households Program, is available to eligible homeowners, renters and self-employed business owners in these counties: **Bollinger**, **Butler**, **Cape Girardeau**, **Carter**, **Cooper**, **Dunklin**, **Howell**, **Iron**, **Mississippi**, **New Madrid**, **Oregon**, **Ozark**, **Reynolds**, **Ripley**, **Scott**, **Shannon**, **Stoddard**, **Vernon**, **Washington**, and **Wayne**.

You should first file an insurance claim

If you have homeowners, renters, or flood insurance, you should file a claim before applying for FEMA assistance. FEMA cannot duplicate benefits for losses covered by insurance. If your policy does not cover all your disaster expenses, you may be eligible for federal assistance.

Apply for FEMA assistance

FEMA may be able to help if you were displaced, had serious needs, needed temporary lodging, required basic home repair costs, lost personal property or had other uninsured disaster-caused needs. FEMA grants do not have to be repaid. The grants can include money for temporary housing and home repairs, replacement of lost essential personal property and more to help individuals and self-employed business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.

The fastest way to apply is online or by phone:

Online: www.disasterassistance.gov

Phone: 800-621-3362 from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Central.

Download and use the FEMA app

Anyone using a relay service, such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, can give FEMA the number for that service. For an accessible video on three ways to apply for FEMA assistance, visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LU7wzRjByhl

FEMA works with each household on a case-by-case basis. When you apply for assistance, please have the following information readily available:

- A current phone number where you can be contacted
- Your address at the time of the disaster and the address where you are now staying
- Your email address (required)
- Your Social Security number, if available
- A general list of damage and losses
- If insured, the policy number or the agent and/or the company name
- Bank account and routing numbers for direct deposit of funds

Note: Damage from the *March 14-15* severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and wildfires in Bollinger, Butler, Camden, Carter, Franklin, Howell, Iron, Jefferson, Oregon, Ozark, Perry, Phelps, Reynolds, Ripley, St. Louis, Wayne, Webster and Wright Counties are not included in this declaration. Damage from the May 16 severe storms and tornadoes in the City of St. Louis, St. Louis County, Scott County, and surrounding area are <u>not</u> included in this declaration.

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