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If You Need Disaster Assistance, Deadline to Apply is Less Than 30 Days Away

AUSTIN, Texas— If you are a survivor from the severe storms and flooding that occurred from June 19 – July 13, 2018, and your home is still not safe, sanitary and functional, the deadline to apply for aid is Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2018, less than 30 days away.

Even if you have insurance, you can apply for disaster assistance. FEMA cannot duplicate insurance payments, but if you are underinsured, you may receive help after your claims have been settled.

Applying for disaster assistance is a two-step process that involves FEMA help and SBA disaster loans. First, register with FEMA, then submit your SBA disaster loan application, even if you are not sure you will need or want a loan. There is no charge to apply for the loan and if approved, no obligation to accept it.

Federal disaster aid does not affect other government benefits, such as Social Security and Medicaid, and is not considered taxable income. Only one person per household is eligible to register. Survivors must use the name that appears on their Social Security card and have insurance and disaster-damage information available at registration.

Help is available in most languages, and information on the registration process is available in ASL at <http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/videos/111546>.

For more information on Texas recovery, visit the disaster web page at www.fema.gov/disaster/4377, Twitter at <https://www.twitter.com/femaregion6> and the Texas Division of Emergency Management website, <https://www.txdps.state.tx.us/dem>.

To register with FEMA:

- Log onto DisasterAssistance.gov;
- Download the official FEMA app at Google Play or the Apple App Store. Or, visit fema.gov/mobile-app to download the app.
- Call **800-621-3362**. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a **TTY** may call **800-462-7585**. If you use 711 or VRS or require accommodations while visiting a center, call 800-621-3362. The toll-free numbers are open daily from **7 a.m. to 10 p.m.**
- Visit a **disaster recovery center**. To find the nearest center in Texas, log onto fema.gov and search for [FEMA: DRC Locator](#).

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