

# North Carolina Helene Recovery

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## Key Messages

- Don't wait. The deadline to apply for FEMA assistance is Saturday, March 8.
- Disaster Recovery Centers offer face-to-face help with FEMA applications, appeals and other recovery resources. To find your nearest center visit [www.fema.gov/drc](http://www.fema.gov/drc).
- Make sure FEMA can reach you. Phone calls may come from unfamiliar numbers and Area Codes. FEMA may need more information to continue processing your application.

## Update

- **\$396.9 million** approved for **156,968** households, including money for rent, basic home repairs and other disaster-caused needs.
- **\$405 million** in Public Assistance funding approved to support community recovery.
- **\$144.1 million** disbursed by the U.S. Small Business Administration in low-interest disaster loans.
- **13,294** households have stayed in FEMA-paid hotel rooms (Transitional Sheltering Assistance).
  - As of March 5, **1,884** households remained.
- **181** households are living in FEMA temporary housing units.
- **3,713** households have received rental assistance.
- **6,230** families have received **\$18.3 million** for repair or replacement of private-access roads and bridges.
- **5 million** cubic yards of debris has been cleared from public rights of ways, **3.7 million** by state contractors and **1.4 million** by federal contractors.
- The waterway debris mission has removed **685,689** cubic yards of debris: approximately **631,200** by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and **54,500** by state contractors.
- **\$52.4 million** in disaster unemployment benefits have been provided to applicants.
- **\$157.8 million** paid in claims by the National Flood Insurance Program.



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