# Oklahoma Severe Storms, Straight-Line Winds, Tornadoes and Flooding Recovery

# June 12, 2024

# **Key Messages**

- As of 7:30 a.m., June 12, FEMA has provided more than \$5.62 million in the following categories to eligible Oklahoma residents impacted by this disaster:
  - Housing Assistance: \$3,239,260
  - Other Needs Assistance: \$2,385,129
  - Flood Insurance Premiums: \$4,800
- As of close of business, June 11, homeowners, renters, private non-profits and businesses affected by the early springtime storms and tornadoes have been offered more than \$3.77 million in disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration. The SBA is the primary source of federal disaster loan assistance.
- Transitional Sheltering Assistance may pay for a hotel room for displaced residents of Carter, Hughes, Kay, Love, Murray, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Osage, Pontotoc, Washington and Washita counties. As of 6 a.m., June 12, 2024, 77 households, totaling 223 people, have checked into hotels participating in the TSA program. Visit <u>www.youtu.be/TSA</u> for more information on the program.

### **Apply for FEMA Assistance**

Oklahomans living in Carter, Craig, Hughes, Johnston, Kay, Lincoln, Love, McClain, Murray, Nowata, Okfuskee, Okmulgee, Osage, Ottawa, Pontotoc, Pottawatomie, Washington and Washita counties may be able to get help from FEMA with temporary housing expenses, basic home repairs or other essential disaster-related needs.

You must apply directly with FEMA to be eligible for FEMA assistance. Registering with state, religious or volunteer agencies does not register you with FEMA.

There are four ways to apply:

- Visit <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>.
- Download the <u>FEMA App.</u>
- Call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362**. Multilingual operators are available to help callers.



Apply in person at a Disaster Recovery Center. To find one near you, visit <u>fema.gov/drc</u>.



Let DRC personnel know in advance, if possible, when translation services or any other accommodations are needed.

Be prepared to provide the following information when applying:

- Social Security number
- Address of the damaged property
- Description of the damage
- Information about insurance coverage
- A current contact telephone number
- An address where you can receive mail
- Bank account and routing numbers for direct deposit of funds

If you have insurance, file a claim as soon as possible. FEMA can't pay for losses your insurance will cover. Keep receipts from all purchases related to cleanup and repair.

#### **FEMA Crews in Communities**

FEMA Disaster Survivor Assistance crews are out in communities impacted by the storms to assist Oklahomans with their recovery. These crews can help survivors by:

- Checking the status of an application and making minor changes.
- Making callouts to faith- and community-based organizations, businesses and public libraries that may be able to distribute disaster-related information.
- Identifying organizations providing services and resources to help the public recover.
- Gathering situational awareness about impacts to communities.

#### **Disaster Recovery Centers**

Three Disaster Recovery Centers are open in affected areas across the state. Residents and businesses can visit any center to apply for FEMA assistance, learn about available resources and get their questions answered in person. Locations and hours are:

 Early Childhood Learning Center 401 S. 10th St. Barnsdall, OK 74002

Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Closed Sunday.

 Bartlesville High School 1700 Hillcrest Dr. Bartlesville, OK 74003

Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Closed Sunday.

Murray County Extension Office
3490 Highway 7 West
Sulphur, OK 73086
(The Extension Office is the smaller building at this address.)

Open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday. Closed Sunday.

#### Low-Interest Disaster Loans: An Important Resource

The **U.S Small Business Administration** (SBA) offers low-interest disaster loans to Oklahoma businesses, homeowners and renters impacted by the severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding. Loans can help homeowners and renters rebuild their home and replace personal property, including vehicles, and can help businesses and private nonprofit organizations repair or replace property, real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory and other assets damaged in the disaster.

To apply, go online to the SBA's secure website at <u>MySBA Loan Portal</u>, call the SBA Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (to access telecommunications relay services, dial 7-1-1 or send an email to <u>DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov</u>) or visit the Business Recovery Center in Sulphur – located at:

Mary Parker Memorial Library 500 W. Broadway Ave. Sulphur, OK 73086

Hours for the center are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

## Major Disaster Declaration (April 30, 2024)

- On April 30, the president granted a major disaster declaration for Oklahoma to help people and communities recover from the severe storms, straight-line winds, tornadoes and flooding that occurred April 25-May 9, 2024.
- Hughes, Love and Murray counties were designated for Individual Assistance on the Major Declaration issued April 30. Craig, Johnston, McClain, Nowata and Ottawa counties were added to the disaster declaration on May 30. Kay, Lincoln, Okfuskee, Pottawatomie and Washington counties were added May 22. Washita County was added May 13. Osage and Pontotoc counties were added May 9, Okmulgee County was added May 7 and Carter County was added May 3.
- Coal, Haskell, Kay, Okfuskee and Washington counties were designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) including Direct Federal Assistance and permanent work (Categories C-G) on May 29. Carter, Cotton, Hughes, Johnston, Love, Murray, Okmulgee, Osage, Pontotoc, Tillman and Washita counties are also designated for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) including Direct Federal Assistance and permanent work (Categories C-G).
- All 77 Oklahoma counties are approved for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance.

#### **Current FEMA Products**

News Release 023: <u>Disaster Recovery Center Opens in Barnsdall</u> News Release 024: <u>Be Sure to Apply With FEMA</u> News Release 025: <u>FEMA Assistance Available for Craig, Johnston, McClain, Nowata and Ottawa County</u> <u>Survivors</u> News Release 026: <u>Disaster Recovery Center Opens in Cordell</u> News Release 027: <u>Oklahomans May Be Eligible for Transitional Sheltering in Hotels</u> News Release 028: <u>Ardmore Disaster Recovery Center Closing June 8 | FEMA.gov</u> News Release 029: <u>New Hours for Barnsdall Disaster Recovery Center | FEMA.gov</u> News Release 030: <u>Cordell Disaster Recovery Center Closing June 11 | FEMA.gov</u> Fact Sheet 006: <u>FEMA Rental Assistance Available in Oklahoma | FEMA.gov</u> News Release 031: <u>Disaster Recovery Center Opens in Bartlesville | FEMA.gov</u>

FEMA Civil Rights Office works to ensure assistance is distributed equitably, without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status. Any disaster survivor and member of the public may contact the Civil Rights Office if they feel that they are the victim of discrimination. FEMA's Civil Rights Office can be contacted toll-free at 833-285-7448. Multilingual operators are available by pressing #2 for Spanish.

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