

# North Carolina Helene Recovery

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## Key Messages

- If you had uninsured losses from Tropical Storm Helene, don't wait. The deadline to apply for Individual Assistance is April 7.
- If FEMA initially says you are not approved for assistance, you might just need to provide more information. Visit a Disaster Recovery Center or call 800-621-3362 to get help appealing the determination. To learn more, visit [www.fema.gov/assistance/individual/after-applying/appeals](http://www.fema.gov/assistance/individual/after-applying/appeals).
- Need help with a FEMA application or appeal? Eleven Disaster Recovery Centers offer face to face help for disaster survivors. To find your nearest center visit [fema.gov/drc](http://fema.gov/drc).

## Update

- **\$404.5** million approved for **157,567** households, including money for rent, basic home repairs and other disaster-caused needs.
- **\$411 million** in Public Assistance funding approved to support community recovery.
- **\$155.1 million** disbursed by the U.S. Small Business Administration in low-interest disaster loans.
- **13,304** households have stayed in FEMA-paid hotel rooms (Transitional Sheltering Assistance).
  - As of March 17, **484** households remain.
- **202** households are currently living in FEMA temporary housing units.
- **3,914** households have received rental assistance.
- **6,534** families have received **\$19.4 million** for repair or replacement of private-access roads and bridges.
- **5.4 million** cubic yards of debris has been cleared from public rights of ways, **4 million** by state contractors and **1.4 million** by federal contractors.
- The waterway debris mission has removed **1 million** cubic yards of debris: approximately **976,000** by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and **70,000** by state contractors.
- **\$52.8 million** in disaster unemployment benefits have been provided to applicants.
- **\$166.6 million** paid in claims by the National Flood Insurance Program.



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