

# North Carolina Helene Recovery

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## Key Messages

- If you received rental assistance from FEMA and have a continuing need, you can apply for additional FEMA help. Visit a Disaster Recovery Center or call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 for information about applying for Continued Rental Assistance.
- If FEMA initially says you are not approved for financial help, you might need to provide more information. Visit a Disaster Recovery Center or call 800-621-3362 to get help appealing the determination.
- To sign up for a free consultation with an attorney regarding disaster-related legal concerns, call Pisgah Legal Services at 828-253-0406. The consultations are being scheduled for March 28 in Burnsville.

## Update

- **\$410.3** million approved for **157,968** households, including money for rent, basic home repairs and other disaster-caused needs.
- **\$413.2 million** in Public Assistance funding approved to support community recovery.
- **\$160.5 million** disbursed by the U.S. Small Business Administration in low-interest disaster loans.
- **13,306** households have stayed in FEMA-paid hotel rooms (Transitional Sheltering Assistance).
  - As of March 22, **369** households remained.
- **208** households are currently living in FEMA temporary housing units.
- **4,250** households have received rental assistance.
- **6,739** families have received **\$19.9 million** for repair or replacement of private-access roads and bridges.
- **5.7 million** cubic yards of debris has been cleared from public rights of ways, **4.2 million** by state contractors and **1.5 million** by federal contractors.
- The waterway debris mission has removed **1.36 million** cubic yards of debris: approximately **1.28 million** by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and **81,790** by state contractors.
- **\$53 million** in disaster unemployment benefits have been provided to applicants.
- **\$171.3 million** paid in claims by the National Flood Insurance Program.



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