

Federal Emergency Management Agency

An overview of FEMA Individual Assistance



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General Eligibility and Criteria

- **Citizenship and proof of identity**
- **Primary residence in a designated disaster area**
- **Uninsured or Underinsured Items**
- **Assistance 18 months from date of declaration**



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Sheltering Options

- **Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA)** provides temporary sheltering for survivors as they transition from emergency shelters to temporary or permanent housing solutions.
- **Sheltering and Temporary Essential Power Program (STEP)** Assists state and local governments in providing essential temporary repairs to affected residences, reducing the demand for other shelter options and allowing individuals to return to or remain in their homes
- **Voluntary Agencies Leading and Organizing Repair Program (VALOR)** offers rebuilding materials to voluntary agencies to provide basic repair services to survivors' homes to make them safe and habitable.



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Individuals and Households Program (IHP)

FEMA IHP provides financial and direct assistance to disaster survivors with critical unmet needs
Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018 Section 1212

Housing Assistance

- Financial Assistance
 - Lodging Expense Reimbursement
 - Rental Assistance
 - Repair Assistance
 - Replacement Assistance
- Direct Assistance:
 - Multi-Family Lease and Repair
 - Transportable Temporary Housing Units
 - Direct Lease
 - Permanent Housing Construction

Other Needs Assistance

- Small Business Administration (SBA)-Non-Dependent:
 - Funeral Assistance
 - Medical and Dental Assistance
 - Child Care Assistance
 - Critical Needs Assistance
 - Clean and Removal Assistance
 - Miscellaneous Assistance
- SBA-Dependent:
 - Personal Property Assistance
 - Transportation Assistance (Vehicle)
 - Moving and Storage
 - Group Flood Insurance Policy



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Community Services Programs

Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program (CCP) FEMA, in partnership with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), provides funding for states, territories, tribes, or qualified organizations to provide crisis counseling programs, training, and services

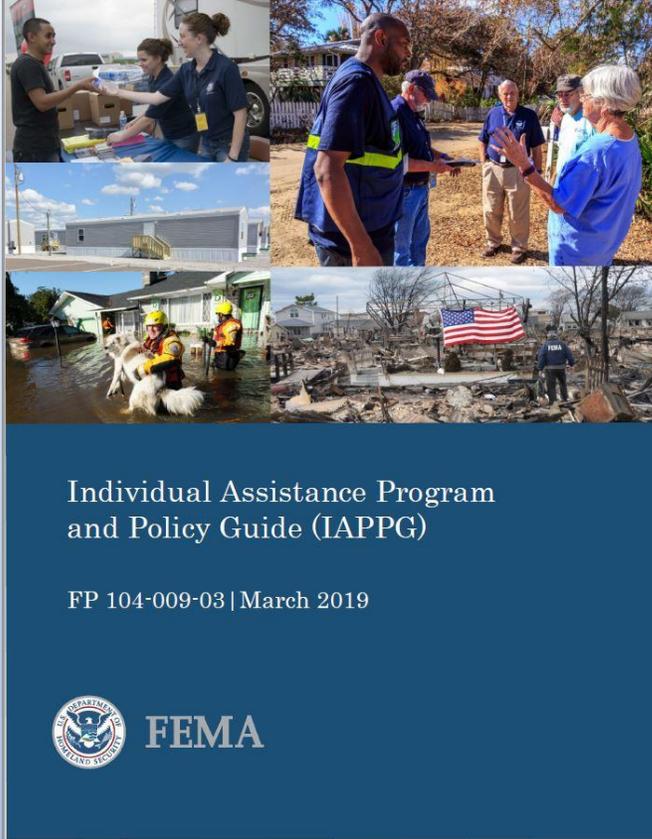
Disaster Case Management (DCM) FEMA provides funding for states, territories, tribes, or qualified organizations to provide disaster case management services

Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) FEMA, in partnership with the Department of Labor, provides financial assistance to individuals whose employment has been lost or interrupted as a direct result of a Presidentially declared major disaster and who are not eligible for regular state unemployment benefits

Disaster Legal Services (DLS) FEMA, in partnership with the American Bar Association-Young Lawyers Division, provides free legal assistance to low-income individuals who, prior to or because of the disaster, are unable to secure legal services adequate to meet their disaster-related needs



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- Comprehensive policy resource for state, local, territorial, and tribal governments; non-governmental partners; and other entities who assist disaster survivors with post-disaster recovery
- Succeeds the *Individuals and Households Program Unified Guidance* published September 30, 2016
- Supersedes individual program guidance for Individual Assistance (IA) programs
- Incorporates changes to the Delegation of Authority
- Consolidates policy statements for all IA programs, including the Individuals and Households Program, Disaster Case Management, Crisis Counseling Program, Disaster Unemployment Assistance, Disaster Legal Services, and programs and activities under the Mass Care and Voluntary Agency Coordination sections

<https://www.fema.gov/individual-assistance-program-and-policy-guide>



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