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# News Release

## **Federal Funds Top \$213 Million in Hurricane Matthew Recovery**

**DURHAM, N.C.** – In the nine weeks since President Obama declared a major disaster for North Carolina, federal agencies have provided more than \$213 million in grants, loans and insurance payments to those who had losses resulting from flooding after Hurricane Matthew.

These funds are making it possible for survivors to begin to rebuild their homes and communities as they develop a recovery plan.

FEMA has provided almost \$83 million in grants to more than 27,000 eligible survivors for rental assistance and for repairs to make homes safe and habitable.

The U.S. Small Business Administration has awarded more than \$64.6 million in low-interest disaster loans to more than 1,700 applicants.

FEMA's Public Assistance program has obligated \$2.2 million in grants.

The National Flood Insurance Program has paid \$64.1 million to policyholders who filed claims.

The deadline for registering with FEMA and for applying for a U.S. Small Business Administration loan is Jan. 9, 2017.

How to register with FEMA:

- Online at [DisasterAssistance.gov](http://DisasterAssistance.gov).
- Call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362** for voice, 711 and Video Relay Service. If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a TTY, call **800-462-7585**.
- Download the [FEMA Mobile App and apply](#).

For information on SBA loans:

- Call **800-659-2955** (**800-877-8339** TTY).

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- Homeowners, renters and businesses may visit SBA's secure website <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/> to apply online for a disaster loan.

For more information on North Carolina's recovery, visit [fema.gov/disaster/4285](http://fema.gov/disaster/4285) and [readync.org](http://readync.org). Follow FEMA on Twitter at [@femaregion4](https://twitter.com/femaregion4) and North Carolina Emergency Management [@NCEmergency](https://twitter.com/NCEmergency).

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*Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 or TTY at 800-462-7585.*

*FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards. Follow FEMA on twitter at [@femaregion4](https://twitter.com/femaregion4). Download the FEMA app with tools and tips to keep you safe before, during, and after disasters.*

*Dial 2-1-1 or 888-892-1162 to speak with a trained call specialist about questions you have regarding Hurricane Matthew; the service is free, confidential and available in any language. They can help direct you to resources. Call 5-1-1 or 877-511-4662 for the latest road conditions or check the ReadyNC mobile app, which also has real-time shelter and evacuation information. For updates on Hurricane Matthew impacts and relief efforts, go to [ReadyNC.org](http://ReadyNC.org) or follow N.C. Emergency Management on [Twitter](https://twitter.com) and [Facebook](https://facebook.com). People or organizations that want to help ensure North Carolina recovers can visit [NCdisasterrelief.org](http://NCdisasterrelief.org) or text NCREcovers to 30306.*

*The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes, and private non-profit organizations fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. These disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other recoveries and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations. For more information, applicants may contact SBA's Customer Service Center by calling (800) 659-2955, emailing [disastercustomerservice@sba.gov](mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov), or visiting SBA's Web site at [www.sba.gov/disaster](http://www.sba.gov/disaster). Deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals may call (800) 877-8339.*