Memorandum



DATE June 28, 2024

^{TO} Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT Federal Emergency Management Agency Individual Assistance Update

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide you with an update on the status of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Individual Assistance program within the City of Dallas.

The City of Dallas was added to the Individual Assistance disaster declaration on June 5th, 2024. This program provides financial and direct services to eligible individuals and households affected by the May 28th Severe Weather incident, who have uninsured or under-insured necessary expenses and serious needs. The deadline for residents to apply for assistance is July 16th.

FEMA does not provide city-level data on the number of residents that have applied for Individual Assistance. As of June 28th, 20,770 Dallas County residents have submitted applications and FEMA has returned 11,435 inspections.

Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA) Teams continue to work directly within neighborhoods to help residents with the application process. Beginning Monday, July 1st, they will be canvassing large portions of East Dallas. In collaboration with the Office of Emergency Management (OEM), the DSA teams are utilizing storm damage data, including resident-reported damage assessments, to guide their efforts.

As a reminder, there are multiple ways that residents can apply for assistance:

- Go online to https://www.disasterassistance.gov/
- Download the FEMA App for mobile devices.
- Call the FEMA helpline at 800-621-3362 between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. Help is available in most languages.
- Visit any Disaster Recovery Center

Facility Name Address Hours of Operation Status Williams Elementary 1821 Oldgate Ln. Daily 7:00 am – 7:00 Open School Garland, Texas pm 75042 1500 International Daily 7:00 am - 7:00 Network of Open Community Ministries Pkwy., Suite 300 pm Richardson, Texas 75081 Dallas College 3737 Motley Dr, Daily 7:00 am – 7:00 Opens July 2nd Eastfield Campus Mesquite, TX 75150 pm

The following fixed Disaster Recovery Centers are available to any resident:

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FEMA plans to activate additional mobile Disaster Recovery Center sites. Once confirmed, we will share that information with you.

Should a resident disagree with FEMA's decision regarding their application, they may submit an appeal. It must be submitted within 60 days of the decision letter. Additional instructions and details on the appeal process can be found <u>here</u>.

Should you have any questions, please contact Travis Houston at <u>travis.houston@dallas.gov</u> or (214) 422-2715.

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