Continued Rental Assistance

Survivors of Tropical Storm Fred who live in Buncombe, Haywood or Transylvania County and received initial rental assistance from FEMA may be eligible for continued rental assistance.

To be eligible to apply, survivors must meet the following conditions:

- They were awarded initial rental assistance and used it as intended. The initial award covers two months.
- They are unable to return to their pre-disaster residence because it is uninhabitable, cannot be accessed or is not available due to Tropical Storm Fred.
- They cannot pay for housing without assistance.
- They are not receiving temporary housing help from any other source.
- They are developing a longer-term or permanent housing plan or can demonstrate progress toward one.

Survivors applying for continued assistance must complete an Application for Continued Temporary Housing Assistance. To request this form, call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362.

Applicants should submit the following documents with the completed application:

- Pre- and post-disaster income for household members 18 and older.
- Proof of pre-disaster housing costs (copy of lease and utility bills, renter's insurance, mortgage statements, real estate taxes, home insurance, etc.)
- Proof of post-disaster housing costs (copy of current lease or rental agreement signed by the applicant and the landlord).

The application form and supporting documents should be returned to FEMA in one of the following ways:

- o Upload them to the disaster account at <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u>.
- o Mail them to FEMA, PO Box 10055, Hyattsville, MD 20782-8055.
- o Fax them to 800-827-8112.

FEMA will evaluate the request to determine if the applicant is eligible. It is important for applicants to keep FEMA updated with their contact information and housing status.

For more information about Tropical Storm Fred recovery in North Carolina, visit <u>fema.gov/disaster/4617</u> and <u>ncdps.gov/TSFred</u>. Follow us on Twitter: <u>@NCEmergency</u> and <u>@FEMARegion4</u>.



