

President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. Approves Major Disaster Declaration for Louisiana

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA announced that federal disaster assistance is available to the state of Louisiana to supplement recovery efforts in the areas affected by Hurricane Francine from Sept. 9-12, 2024.

The President's action makes federal funding available to affected individuals in Ascension, Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary and Terrebonne parishes. Assistance can include grants for temporary housing and home repairs, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.

Federal funding is also available to state, tribal and eligible local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations on a cost-sharing basis in Ascension, Assumption, Lafourche, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary and Terrebonne parishes for debris removal and emergency work including direct federal assistance.

Federal funding is also available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide.

Sandra L. Eslinger has been named the Federal Coordinating Officer for federal recovery operations in the affected areas. Additional designations may be made at a later date if warranted by the results of damage assessments.

Individuals and business owners who sustained losses in the designated areas can begin applying for assistance by registering online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov, by calling 1-800-621-3362 or by using the [FEMA App](#). If you use a relay service, such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service.

