

Hurricane Sally, DR-4563-AL

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Topline Messaging

Less Than Two Weeks Left to Register for FEMA Assistance

Don't get overlooked, get the help you need.

The FEMA registration deadline is **Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020**, for residents of **Baldwin, Escambia and Mobile** counties with damage or losses from last month's **Hurricane Sally** disaster.

Although FEMA cannot make you whole, FEMA assistance may include grants for temporary housing and emergency home repairs to make your home safe, accessible and secure. FEMA is unable to duplicate insurance payments. However, if you don't have homeowners' insurance or are underinsured, you may receive assistance after your insurance claims have been settled.

If you have a homeowner's insurance policy, file your insurance claim immediately, before applying to FEMA. Even if you applied with another agency or organization you must register with FEMA if you want to access federal disaster grants and U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) long-term, low-interest disaster loans.

SBA provides help to survivors in the form of low-interest disaster loans. You may borrow up to \$200,000 to repair or replace your primary home to its pre-hurricane condition, but you *cannot* use the loan to upgrade or add on to the home unless required by building code.

Homeowners and renters may also be eligible to borrow up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed personal property, such as clothing, furniture, appliances and cars.

Individual Assistance

The three counties designated for **Individual Assistance** in the declaration are Baldwin, Escambia and Mobile.

- A total of **69,313** households have registered with FEMA and applied for federal assistance.



FEMA



- FEMA has approved more than **\$64.2 million** in **Individuals and Households Program** financial assistance, including more than **\$46.2 million** in **Housing Assistance** and more than **\$18 million** in **Other Needs Assistance**.

National Flood Insurance Program

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- **3,199** flood insurance claims have been filed.
- More than **\$44 million** has been paid in claims.

U.S. Small Business Administration

- More than **\$77.8 million** has been approved in low-interest disaster loans for **1,951** homeowners and renters.
- Another **\$3.4 million** has been approved on applications for **69** businesses.

USDA Designates 2 Alabama Counties for Emergency Support

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has designated Baldwin and Mobile counties in Alabama as “Designated Primary Natural Disaster Areas.” Producers in these counties who suffered losses caused by Hurricane Sally, Sept. 15-16, 2020, may be eligible for USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency support loans. This designation allows FSA to extend emergency credit to producers recovering from natural disasters.

Emergency loans can be used to meet various recovery needs including the replacement of essential items such as equipment or livestock, reorganization of a farming operation or the refinance of certain debts. Producers in the contiguous counties of Clarke, Escambia, Monroe and Washington are also eligible to apply for emergency loans.

For applications and more information about “Primary Natural Disaster Areas,” visit <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/> and search “Emergency Farm Loans.”

State and FEMA Resources

- If you have been impacted by Hurricane Sally in Alabama, **dial 211** for help with some unmet needs including clean-up supplies. Text 888-421-1266 or chat via www.211connectsalabama.org for resources and assistance.
- Information on Alabama recovery and preparedness: [visit FEMA online](#).
- For the latest information on Hurricane Sally, [visit https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4563](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4563).
- FEMA Disaster Fraud Hotline: **866-720-5721**.
- Mental Health Counseling for persons experiencing emotional distress related to Hurricane Sally is available 24/7 at the Disaster Distress Helpline: **800-985-5990** or text **TalkWithUs** to 66746.

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