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## News Release

## You May Be Eligible for Additional Rental Assistance from FEMA

COLUMBUS, Ohio—If you are a homeowner or renter who initially received rental assistance from FEMA as a result of the severe storms, tornadoes and flooding on May 27-29, 2019, and home repairs are taking longer than expected, you may be eligible for additional rental assistance.

You must document your need for additional rental assistance by providing FEMA with a completed Declaration of Continuing Need for Rental Assistance form as well as other required paperwork to show you used your initial funds from FEMA to pay for new housing.

If you did not receive a declaration form in the mail, contact the FEMA Helpline to request one be mailed to you or request one in person at your nearest <u>Disaster Recovery Center</u>. For more information or to get answers to your questions about the FEMA process, call 800-621-3362 (including 711 or Video Relay). TTY users can call 800-462-7585. The toll-free numbers are open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. EDT every day. Multilingual operators are available.

Return the Declaration form with the paperwork to FEMA's Individuals and Households Program by:

- Mailing them to the National Processing Service Center, P.O. Box 10055, Hyattsville MD 20782-8055.
- Faxing them to 1-800-827-8112.
- Uploading them to your online account at <u>DisasterAssistance.gov</u> (or creating a new account at the website and uploading them to it).
- Visiting any open Disaster Recovery Center. To find the center closest to you, visit <a href="mailto:fema.gov/DRC">fema.gov/DRC</a>.

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FEMA's mission is helping people before, during and after disasters. 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. If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a TTY, call 800-462-7585. All Disaster

Recovery Centers are physically accessible and equipped to accommodate disaster survivors who need communication access. If you require an accommodation (ASL interpreter, braille, large print, etc.) while visiting a Disaster Recovery Center, just ask a FEMA representative.