



State Emergency Operations Center

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March 24, 2023, Severe Weather Update #8

Pearl – The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency continues to assess the damage and aid in response and recovery efforts in multiple counties affected by the March 24th tornadoes and severe weather.

Residents in Carroll, Humphreys, **Montgomery**, Monroe, **Panola**, and Sharkey Counties can now register for FEMA Individual Assistance by visiting **disasterassistance.gov** or calling **800-621-FEMA (3362)**, disaster number **DR- 4697**.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Mobile Registration Centers are now open to serve those affected by the storms and severe weather at the following locations:

Carroll County

J.Z. George High School
900 George Street
Carrollton, MS, 38947
(Closed Sunday, April 2nd)

Humphreys County

Humphreys County Library
105 Hayden Street
Belzoni, MS 39038

Sharkey County

Heritage Manor
431 West Race Street
Rolling Fork, MS
39159

Monroe County

The Old Amory National
Guard Building
101 South 9th Street,
Amory, MS 38821

FEMA Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA) teams are also going door-to-door to assist residents with their FEMA applications. Residents are strongly advised **NOT** to disclose any personally identifiable information to anyone unless they are wearing FEMA attire and have their federal photo identification badge.

Residents in Carroll, Humphreys, **Montgomery**, Monroe, **Panola**, and Sharkey counties in Mississippi are eligible for both Physical and Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the **U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)**.

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The SBA has opened a Portable Loan Outreach Center (PLOC) at the following location:

- South Delta High School, 303 Parkway Street, Rolling Fork, MS 39159
- Monday to Sunday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Applicants may also apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/ela/s/> and should apply under SBA declaration # **17836** or call **800-659-2955**.

Community Services:

Hot Showers and Restrooms are open daily from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and **Drop-off Laundry Services** are available (Drop off between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to pick up the next day) at the following locations:

- **South Delta High School, located at 303 Parkway Street in Rolling Fork**
- **The Train Track on Martin Luther King Street in Rolling Fork**
- **Deer Creek Baptist Church on 4th and Joor Avenue in Rolling Fork**

Shelter and Feeding Locations:

- **South Delta Middle School, 86 Middle School Road, Anguilla, MS**
- **The Old Amory National Guard Building: 101 South 9th Street, Amory**

Feeding Locations:

- **Silver City First Baptist Church, 257 Main Street, Silver City 39166**

Clinic Locations open in Rolling Fork:

- **Complete Care, 25 S 4th Street, Rolling Fork MS 39159**
- **Sharkey Issaquena Medical Clinic, 283 Race Street, Rolling Fork, MS 39159**
- **Pain Treatments Center of America and Family Medicine, 29 S 4th Street**

Free Tetanus Vaccinations Available in Counties Affected by Weekend Tornadoes:

Locations:

- **Monroe County Health Department, 1300 HWY 125 S, Amory, MS**
- **Sharkey-Issaquena County Health Department, 297 Race St., Rolling Fork, MS**
These sites will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. until April 3rd.

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ESF #6 Mass Care and Human Services

The **Mississippi Department of Employment Security (MDES)** If you are out of work because of the recent tornadoes, you may be eligible for Unemployment Insurance (UI) Assistance. MDES services are available in person, online, or by telephone.

In-person locations: Open Monday through Friday 8a – 5p

- Any WIN Job Center: <https://mdes.ms.gov/win-job-centers/>
- Humphreys County Sheriff's Department, 107 South Hayden Street, Belzoni, MS
- Sharkey Issaquena Academy, 272 Academy Drive, Rolling Fork, MS

Online at <https://mdes.ms.gov/> Or by telephone at 601-493-9428.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) households in the following counties who suffered food loss as the result of the tornadoes have until **Monday, April 24, 2023**, to request replacement benefits: **Holmes, Montgomery, Sharkey, Humphreys, Carroll, and Monroe.** **SNAP households in all other counties impacted by weekend storms have ten (10) days to submit a SNAP replacement application. Applicants will be required to document a power outage lasting over four hours.**

Residents must request a replacement at their local Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS). Households can also submit the replacement request using mail, email, or the upload feature on the MDHS website. (www.mdhs.ms.gov). The Household Statement of Food Loss Due to Household Disaster, MDHS-EA-508 is available on the MDHS website <https://www.mdhs.ms.gov/snap-replacement-benefits-supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-snap/>. For assistance completing the SNAP replacement application, contact the Economic Assistance Customer Service Center at 800-948-3050.

The Mississippi Division of Medicaid has enacted its state of emergency to allow patients impacted by the storm to receive early refills and additional prescriptions above the monthly limit. Pharmacy providers should follow the billing guidelines found at this link: <https://medicaid.ms.gov/disaster-billing-directions/>

The **Department of Mental Health** reports that the Region 6 Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT) is responding to the community to bring supplies and meet mental health needs. Those specialists are available to provide services in the community for anyone experiencing a behavioral health crisis. The DMH Helpline is also available for information and referral services and can be reached at 1-877-210-8513.

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Generator Safety Tips: Information courtesy of Consumer Reports

- Position the generator outdoors and well away (at least 20 feet) from any structure.
- Keep the generator dry.
- Always direct exhaust AWAY from your home.
- Make sure the generator is properly grounded.
- Plug equipment directly into the generator.
- Turn the generator off and let it cool before refueling.

Donations: Donors are asked to coordinate with the following locations and contacts before self-deploying donations.

Location	Address	Point of Contact	Hours of Operation
Humphrey's County Emergency Management Agency	106 East Street Silver City, MS	Tamekia Jones 662-836-8347	8:00a- 6:00p
Old Amory Garment	902 Main Street South Amory, MS	Patty Parker 662-257-2474	8:00a - 6:30p
Amory Regional Museum	801 3rd Street South Amory, MS	Wayne Knox 662-315-1849, 662-256-276	9:00a- 6:30p
Carroll-County-Old Vaiden High School Gym	504 Mulberry Vaiden, MS 39176	Stella Bell 662- 897-0511	10:00a - 4:00p

Needed Items:

- Non-perishable food
- Can openers
- Sunblock
- Baby wipes
- Cleaning supplies
- Paper products: toilet paper, tissues, plates
- Plastic cutlery
- Storage Bins
- Gatorade
- Sports drinks
- Hygiene products
- Women's hygiene products
- Do NOT need clothing donations

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