

Programs available for immigrants



Know your rights before a disaster happens.

There are programs available for everyone after a disaster.

Learn what programs and services you are eligible to receive.

Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>



When disaster strikes and recovery programs become available, immigrant families may wonder what help they can get. Everyone should know their rights before a disaster happens. Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>

If you are concerned about a family member's status and disaster programs, talk with a lawyer before applying. Learn about different programs at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>

First responders



Don't risk your life because of your immigration status.

When a natural disaster strikes, emergency responders' job is to protect all people, regardless of immigration status. Don't be afraid to seek the help you need.

Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>



Don't risk your life during a disaster. If you need help, call for it. No one should ask you for documentation at a shelter or food/water distribution point. Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>

Public charge



Using disaster recovery resources will not impact your immigration status.

Programs are available to provide resources and recovery support after a disaster, regardless of your immigration status. Get the help your family needs

Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>



Your family's use of disaster recovery programs will not hurt your immigration status. A recent "public charge" rule by the Biden administration makes that clear. You can learn more at www.keepyourbenefits.org.

Get involved



The disaster recovery system needs improvement.

Get involved with your local community based organizations to fight for a better system for all people

Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>



America's disaster recovery system is broken and in need of major reform. Get involved with the Disaster Housing Recovery Coalition to fight for a better system! Learn more at <https://nlihc.org/disaster-housing-recovery-research-resilience>

Assistance for qualified immigrants



Your family may be eligible for more disaster recovery programs.

If your family has a “qualified immigrant” or US citizen member, that person can apply for certain disaster recovery assistance, even if they are a child.

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If your family applies for disaster assistance, you do not have to, and you should not, provide immigration status of anyone else in the household besides the applicant. Learn more about disaster recovery programs at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>

Or

If you are concerned about a family member’s status and disaster programs, talk with a lawyer before applying for any disaster recovery assistance programs. Learn more about disaster recovery programs at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>

Disaster SNAP



Get the food your family needs after a disaster.

Disaster SNAP is available regardless of immigration status.

Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>



Disaster SNAP helps provide food assistance to low-income households with food loss or damage caused by a disaster. If you are concerned about a family member’s status and applying, talk with a lawyer before applying for Disaster SNAP.

FEMA Mass Care



Short-term recovery programs are available.

FEMA provides housing and displacement assistance to families with a qualified person in the household.

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FEMA Mass Care helps provide life-saving help during and right after a disaster. Services are available, no matter your immigration status.

You don't need to fill out an application with FEMA to access this assistance. **No one should ask you for documentation at a shelter or food/water distribution point.**

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FEMA Individual Assistance Program



Get the assistance you need to recover after a disaster.

The FEMA Individual Assistance Program offers short-term recovery assistance to any family with a qualified person in the household.

Learn more at <https://bit.ly/ENGDisaster>



FEMA Individual Assistance Program helps with short-term recovery needs in a disaster. Programs are available to any family with a qualified person in the household. It requires an application, and the applicant's immigration status will need to be verified.

If you are concerned about a family member's status and applying, talk with a lawyer before applying for FEMA programs.

For twitter: FEMA Individual Assistance Program helps with short-term recovery needs in a disaster to any family with a qualified person in the household. The applicant's immigration status will need to be verified, so talk with a lawyer about any concerns before applying.



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