

Mississippi declared major disaster, public assistance available

Press Release
On April 5, 2020 Mississippi's Major Disaster Declaration was approved by President Trump. This request covers all counties for the Coronavirus (COVID-19). At this time 142 entities within the state of Mississippi have applied for Public Assistance.

During a Presidential Disaster Declaration, Public Assistance programs can help provide federal grants to local and state governments, as well as certain non-profit organizations. This is not for individuals. Individual Assistance is still under review by FEMA.

FEMA provides the following guidance on the types of emergency protective measures that may be eligible under FEMA's Public Assistance Program in accordance with the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration in order to ensure that resource constraints do not inhibit efforts to respond to this unprecedented disaster.

FEMA GUIDANCE
Eligible Assistance
Under the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration described above, FEMA may provide assistance for emergency protective measures including, but not limited to, the following, if not funded by the HHS/CDC or other federal agency. While some activities listed may be eligible for funding through HHS/CDC, final reimbursement

determinations will be coordinated by HHS and FEMA. FEMA will not duplicate any assistance provided by HHS/CDC):

Management, control and reduction of immediate threats to public health and safety:

- Emergency Operation Center costs
- Learn more at [fema.gov/public-assistance-policy-and-guidance](https://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-policy-and-guidance) March 19, 2020 | 2 of 3
- Training specific to the declared event
- Disinfection of eligible public facilities
- Technical assistance to state, tribal, territorial or local governments on emergency management and control of immediate threats to public health and safety
- Emergency medical care:
- Non-deferrable medical treatment of infected persons in a shelter or temporary medical facility
- Related medical facility services and supplies
- Temporary medical facilities and/or enhanced medical/hospital capacity (for treatment when existing facilities are reasonably forecasted to become overloaded in the near term and cannot accommodate the patient load or to quarantine potentially infected persons)
- Use of specialized medical equipment
- Medical waste disposal
- Emergency medical transport

Medical sheltering (e.g. when existing facilities are reasonably forecasted to become overloaded in the near future and cannot accommodate needs):

- All sheltering must be conducted in accordance with standards and/or guidance approved by HHS/CDC and must be implemented in a manner that incorporates social distancing measures
- Non-congregate medical sheltering is subject to

prior approval by FEMA and is limited to that which is reasonable and necessary to address the public health needs of the event, is pursuant to the direction of appropriate public health officials and does not extend beyond the duration of the Public Health Emergency

- Household pet sheltering and containment actions related to household pets in accordance with CDC guidelines
- Purchase and distribution of food, water, ice, medicine, and other consumable supplies, to include personal protective equipment and hazardous material suits
- Movement of supplies and persons
- Security and law enforcement

*Masks

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Additionally, MSDH recommends that all Mississippi residents wear locally produced (non-medical

forcement

- Communications of general health and safety information to the public
- Search and rescue to locate and recover members of the population requiring assistance
- Reimbursement for state, tribe, territory and/or local government force account overtime costs

Public Assistance Applicants can either apply directly for the Public Assistance Grant by visiting <https://grantee.fema.gov> or they can provide the following information to recovery1@mema.ms.gov

grade masks) or homemade cloth masks when leaving the home to perform essential functions such as grocery shopping or filling prescriptions. This DOES NOT include manufactured (surgical) or N95 masks, which should be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders. This additional safety measure is especially important in areas where proper social distancing is difficult to maintain, such as grocery stores or other areas where essential supplies are obtained.

The best protection is staying home when possible and limiting travel outside the home. Obtain essential services as infrequently as possible, and when doing so always maintain a distance of at least six feet.

Furthermore, MSDH recommends that essential commercial operations, such as grocery stores, pharmacies, and convenience stores, take every measure to ensure social distancing and proper hand hygiene. Customers should have ready access to hand sanitizer. All shopping carts should be sanitized between uses. Every effort should be made to prevent crowding within stores including in the aisles, outside the store, and at checkout. Again, patrons should always maintain a distance of at least six feet from one another.

For more information on the latest guidance and case updates, download the free MS Ready mobile app or visit the MSDH website at www.HealthyMS.com/covid-19.

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4 Town west of Des Moines
8 Do a fall farm job
12 "Werewolves of London" locale
16 Aberdeen native
17 Guinea pig
18 Satanic
19 Moby Dick's pursuer
20 Part of TAE
21 1971 Dyan Cannon film
24 1978 De Niro/Streep film, with "The"
26 Environmental science
27 Field of study
28 Demoted
31 "A thousand times no!," e.g.
33 Ms. Anderson et al.
34 Clinched
39 Nobel chemist Kurt
40 Uprisings
42 Chauffeured
43 Sound of a large fire
44 French-door unit
45 "Rah" recipients
47 Bakery mainstay
48 Light metal
49 Gives a house-plant a new home
51 "Poor man's oysters"
53 "Pleasure's ___..." (Dryden)
55 Rouses
58 Litigant
59 Actress Ross et al.
62 Looter, perhaps
64 Mineo of "Giant"
67 Kindergarten chant
68 Total amounts
71 Dressed
72 Peel
73 Addiction-kicking prog.
75 Had bad table manners
77 1492 vessel
78 "The Mysterious Affair at ___" (Christie)

- 80 Nasal passage
81 Remained unsettled
82 Egg white
84 Lively dance
85 Hooper Powell
89 Providing with nourishment
94 1963 Kirk Douglas comedy
97 Norma and others
98 Refrain syllables
99 Tulip chair designer
100 Field mouse
101 She was, to Caesar
102 Missile holder
103 Peace Garden State: abbr.
104 ___'acte
105 It is: Lat.

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2 1973 Wertmüller film
3 More like Van Gogh's night
4 Existing in fact
5 German author
6 Felix
7 Newt
8 He tours with his Large Band
9 Gun a motor
10 She raised Cain
11 One with a goal
12 Loci
13 Satirist Mort
14 "Winesburg, ___"
15 Dangle
16 What rebels refuse to do
17 Blue
18 Maine university town
19 Ciphured
20 Learn (of)
21 Chamberlain of "Conan the Destroyer"
22 Toward the rising sun, in Cancun
23 Move rapidly
24 Morlock's prey
25 Woven fabrics
26 Originated
36 1979 Goldie
37 Daring Knievel
38 Bears' lairs
40 Emulate Jay-Z
41 Darren Stevens's frustrated shout
44 Arthur and Sean of film
46 Reflected
49 Diamond ___ (country band)
50 KBE title
52 On: Fr.
54 Agave
56 1993 Albert Finney film
57 Boot bottoms
59 Hershey's competitor
60 Help the bad guys
61 ___ rosa
63 Playwright Mosel
65 Goldie and Ruth's '60s costar
66 Gas additive, once
69 Sidewalk
bistro's posting
70 Close loudly, as a door
72 Loblolly, for one
74 Bingo
76 Early Clapton supergroup
77 Striking end of a hammer
79 Untidy one
81 Big fish, to little fish
83 "A ___ Apart" (Kathleen Turner film)
85 Newts
86 Petty of "A League of Their Own"
87 Of a particular period
88 ___-ran
90 Part of, as a plot
91 Go gooey
92 Straight up
93 Astronomer's clock-setting inits.
95 "___ pro nobis"
96 Korean soldier

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