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**More Louisiana Residents Now Eligible for Post-Isaac
Recovery Assistance from FEMA**

State of Louisiana encourages disaster survivors to register for help

BATON ROUGE, La. – The Federal Emergency Management Agency granted Louisiana's request to offer individual assistance to four additional parishes where residents were affected by Hurricane Isaac. Residents of Ascension, Lafourche, Livingston and Orleans parishes are now eligible for disaster assistance.

The state encourages residents of all nine declared parishes – Ascension, Jefferson, Lafourche, Livingston, Orleans, St. Bernard, St. John, Plaquemines, St. Tammany – to register with FEMA for help recover from Hurricane Isaac, which flooded several parishes and left more than half a million Louisiana residents without power, forcing thousands people to evacuate their homes.

FEMA assistance is for residents of affected areas who sustained uninsured or underinsured Isaac-related damage to their homes, vehicles, personal property, business or its inventory beginning Aug. 26, 2012. FEMA has approved Individual Assistance for nine parishes so far and the state has requested this assistance be granted for residents of 14 additional parishes.

Louisiana residents can apply for disaster assistance in two ways: by applying online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or calling 1-800-621-3362. Residents with speech or hearing impairments should call (TTY) 1-800-462-7585. Users of 711-Relay or Video Relay Services should call 1-800-621-3362.

The State and FEMA are also coordinating to bring registration assistance directly to evacuees who are staying in shelters in the state.

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