

Sheltering

FEMA provides Public Assistance funding to State, Territorial, Tribal, and local government Applicants for costs related to emergency sheltering for survivors. Typically, such sheltering occurs in facilities with large open spaces, such as schools, churches, community centers, armories, or other similar facilities. FEMA refers to these shelters as

- < Consumable medical supplies
- < Medication for animal decontamination and parasite control
- < Infant formula, baby food, and diapers
- < Refrigerators, microwaves, and crock pots
- < Cots, cribs, linens, blankets, pillows, tables, and chairs
- < Crates, cages, leashes, and animal transport carriers
- < Personal hygiene kits with items such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste, a toothbrush, towels, and washcloths
- < Animal cleaning tables and supplies
- < Televisions or radios one per 50 shelterees
- < Basic cable service
- < Computers one per 25 shelterees
- < Internet service
- < Washers and dryers one of each per 50 shelterees
- < Toys and books

Shelter Services

Shelter services are eligible for the time the facility is actively used to shelter survivors.

- < Shelter management
- < Supervision of paid and volunteer staff
- < Cleaning the shelter, linens, and animal crates
- < Shelter safety and security
- < Use of equipment, such as ambulances, buses, trucks, or other vehicles, to provide sheltering support
- < Phone banks for survivors
- < Care for survivors with disabilities or access and functional needs, including the provision of the following personal assistance services:
 - Grooming, eating, walking, bathing, toileting, dressing, and undressing
 - Movement between a cot and

Administering vaccinations to household pets, and service and assistance animals, for transmissible or contagious diseases, including, but not limited to, bordetella (kennel cough)

Medical waste disposal

Mental-health care

Outpatient costs for sheltered survivors requiring emergency life-sustaining treatment not available at the shelter for the period of time that a survivor is housed in a congregate shelter. Eligible outpatient services are limited to:

Physician services in a hospital outpatient department, urgent care center, or office;

Related outpatient hospital services and supplies, including X-rays, laboratory and pathology services, and machine diagnostic tests; and

Local professional transport services to and from the nearest hospital equipped to adequately treat the emergency.

- < Sheltering self-evacuees (self-evacuee transportation costs are not eligible)
- < Costs paid to the American Red Cross (ARC)