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**PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S):** DHS/FEMA collects this information to measure Individual Assistance applicants' customer satisfaction with FEMA services.

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## <u>Cover Email</u>

Dear \$FstNm\$ \$LastNm\$

Thank you for continuing to help FEMA look for ways to improve disaster recovery services. This is the second interview in the long-term recovery study. In our previous interview we talked about disaster warnings, preparedness, and your needs during the first few weeks and months after the disaster. Today's interview focuses on your current level of recovery and the continued impact to your household and community.

Today's survey will take 10-15 minutes. There will be two additional surveys over the next 12 months. This survey should be taken by the person most familiar with your FEMA application for assistance and who completed the first survey about 6 months ago.

Your answers will not affect the outcome of your application for FEMA assistance.

These questions comply with the Privacy Act of 1974 and have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under number 1660-0164.

Please click on the link below to read the Paperwork Burden Disclosure Notice, Privacy Act Statement, and begin the survey.

*URL* **Start Survey** Thank you, Federal Emergency Management Agency

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# Questionnaire

### **OVERALL RECOVERY**

In the previous interview, we discussed topics related to your level of recovery. Today's interview will continue those discussions and you will find that some of the same questions are asked again. That helps us understand your progress since the last survey.

This survey is related to the [Disaster Type] that occurred on [DecDT]. Please think about your current circumstances compared to prior to the disaster. Using a scale of **1 (Strongly Disagree)** to **5** (Strongly Agree), please indicate your level of agreement with each statement.

	1 Strongly Disagree	2	3	4	5 Strongly Agree	Don't know or No opinion
1. I have a safe and livable place to stay.						
2. I have necessary personal property like furniture, appliances, and clothing.						
3. My household income is at the same or a higher level than prior to the disaster.						
4. My household expenses are at the same level as prior to the disaster.	۵					
5. My current stress level is high.						
6. Community resources and services are available to me.						

Using a scale of **1 (Not at all Recovered)** to **5 (Completely Recovered)**, how would you rate your household's...

	1	2	3	4	5
	Not at all				Completely
	Recovered				Recovered
7. Overall level of recovery					

#### **RECOVERY - HOUSING**

This section of the survey deals with topics related to housing.

8. Which one of the following best describes where you are currently living or staying?

D Same residence as prior to the disaster

- D New purchased residence
- D New rented residence without FEMA-funded rental assistance

D New rented residence with FEMA-funded rental assistance

D FEMA-provided hotel or motel

D FEMA-provided travel trailer or mobile home

Living with family or friends

Institutional setting like a hospital, group home

D Homeless as a result of the disaster

D Other

(Programmer Note: If Q8 response = Same residence as prior to the disaster go to Q9, if New purchased residence or New rented residence without FEMA rental assistance go to Q12 else go to Q17)

9. Have repairs been completed to make your residence safe and livable?

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    Yes
    No
    (Programmer Note: If Q 9 response = Yes go to Q19, If Q9 response = No and Owner Renter UDF = Owner go to Q10, If Q 9 response = No and Owner Renter UDF = Renter go to Q11)
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10. Which of the following are primary causes for delays in completing your home repairs? [Select all that apply.] (Homeowners)

- Lack of money
- Insurance settlement
- FEMA financial assistance
- Lack of time
- Lack of contractors and/or materials
- Medical or disability reasons
- FEMA information and processes were too complicated

(Programmer Note: Go to Q19)

11. Which of the following are primary causes for the repairs not being completed by your landlord? [Select all that apply.] (Renters)

- Lack of money to make repairs
- Lack of contractors to do repair work
- Lack of materials needed for the repairs
- Landlord does not plan to make repairs
- Other or don't know

(Programmer Note: Go to Q19)

12. Is your new permanent residence located in:

The same community where you lived prior to the disaster
 A different community but in the same state as you lived prior to the disaster
 A different state
 (Programmer Note: If Q12 response = The same community where you lived prior to the disaster go to Q15 else go to Q13)

- 13. Will you be moving back to your pre-disaster community?
  - 🛛 Yes
  - 🗆 No

(Programmer Note: If Q13 response = No go to Q14 else go to Q15)

- 14. Why are you not planning to move back to your pre-disaster community? (200 Characters)
- 15. As a result of the disaster, are your current housing costs:

The same
 Less or
 More than prior to the disaster
 (Programmer Note: If Q15 response = More than prior to the disaster go to Q16 else go to Q19)

16. What caused your housing costs to increase? (200 Characters)

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(Programmer Note: Go to Q19)
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- 17. Do you expect to have a safe and livable permanent residence in:
  - Less than two months
    Three to four months
    Five to six months
    More than six months
    Don't know

18. Which of the following are primary causes for the delay in having a permanent residence? [Select all that apply.]

- Lack of money
- Insurance settlement denied, delayed or insufficient
- FEMA financial assistance denied, delayed or insufficient
- Lack of time
- Lack of contractors and/or materials
- Medical or disability reasons
- Lack of affordable housing
- Loans from bank or SBA were denied or delayed
- Lack of access to community services like schools, hospitals, etc.
- Unable to obtain permits, inspections, zoning
- Do not need to seek a permanent residence

## **RECOVERY - PERSONAL PROPERTY**

The next questions are about **personal property** items that may have been lost or damaged during the disaster. Using a scale of **1 (Strongly Disagree)** to **5 (Strongly Agree)**, please indicate your level of agreement with each statement. You may also say **Not Applicable** if appropriate. Repairs or replacement are complete for my:

	1 Strongly Disagree	2	3	4	5 Strongly Agree	Not Applicable
19. Furniture						
20. Appliances						
21. Vehicles like car, truck, motorcycle						
22. Clothing						
23. Medical equipment						
24. Accessibility items like wheelchair, walker	۵					
25. Job related tools						
26. School uniform or other education items	۵					

Using a scale of **1 (Not at all Recovered)** to **5 (Completely Recovered)**, how would you rate your household's...

	1 Not at all Recovere d	2	3	4	5 Completely Recovered
27. Overall level of recovery relative to personal property items?					

(Programmer Note: If Q27 response = 1 Not at all Recovered, 2, 3, or 4 go to Q28 else go to Q29)

28. Which of the following are primary causes for delays in repairing or replacing your **personal property**? [Select all that apply.]

- Lack of money
- Insurance settlement denied, delayed or insufficient
- FEMA financial assistance denied, delayed or insufficient
- Lack of time
- Medical or disability circumstances
- Loans from bank or SBA were denied or delayed
- Other

### **RECOVERY - HOUSEHOLD INCOME AND FINANCES**

This section of the interview includes questions about **household income**, **expenses** and **finances**.

29. Is your current household income less as a result of the disaster?

Yes
No
(Programmer Note: If Q29 response = Yes go to Q30 else go to Q33)

30. Which **one** of the following is the primary disaster-related reason for the decrease in your household income:

Loss of job
 Work hours or pay scale reduced
 Unable to work due to medical or disability circumstances
 Loss or reduction in income from retirement, investments, or other sources
 (Programmer Note: If Q30 response = Loss of job, or Work hours or pay scale reduced go to Q31 else go to Q33)

31. Disaster Unemployment Assistance may have helped you with loss of work income. Which one of the following best describes your experience with Disaster Unemployment Assistance?

Did not apply for Disaster Unemployment Assistance
 Applied but did not qualify for assistance
 Applied and received assistance
 (Programmer Note: If Q31 response = Applied and received assistance go to Q32 else go to Q33)

Using a scale of 1 (Not at all Helpful) to 5 (Very Helpful),

	1 Not at all Helpful	2	3	4	5 Very Helpful
32. How helpful was the Disaster Unemployment Assistance in supplementing your income?					

Using a rating scale of **1 (Strongly Disagree)** to **5 (Strongly Agree)**, please indicate your level of agreement with each statement. As a result of the disaster:

	1 Strongly Disagree	2	3	4	5 Strongly Agree	Not Applicable
33. My savings are depleted						
34. I have non-mortgage loan debt						
35. I have credit card debt						
36. I owe money to family or friends						
37. My childcare costs have increased						
38. My commuting costs have increased						
39. My ability to live independently has decreased						
40. I have missed credit card, mortgage, or other types of payments						

41. Please briefly describe the type of service you needed, but were unable to find? (200 characters)

#### **COMMUNITY RECOVERY**

This section of the survey is about **community recovery** and uses a scale of **1 (Strongly Disagree)** to **5 (Strongly Agree)**. Please indicate your level of agreement with each statement or you may also respond with **Not Applicable** or **Don't Know.** I now have normal access and availability to:

	1 Strongly Disagree	2	3	4	5 Strongly Agree	Not Applicable or Don't Know
42. Child and day care services						۵
43. Educational institutions like schools, colleges	۵					
44. Public transportation						
45. Care for pets, service and support animals						
46. Businesses like grocery, department stores, pharmacies,						
47. Medical services, doctors, dentists, hospitals, and home healthcare, personal assistance services						
48. Senior centers						
49. Emergency services like fire, EMS, police						
50. Local government offices and services						
51. Community organizations and faith-based groups	۵				۵	
52. Streets, roads, bridges						
53. Entertainment and recreation						۵

#### FEMA ASSISTANCE

FEMA may provide grants for home repairs, rental assistance, personal property like a vehicle, household items, childcare, as well as medical, dental and funeral expenses. Using a scale of **1** (Strongly Disagree) to **5** (Strongly Agree), please indicate your level of agreement with each statement. FEMA financial assistance:

	1 Strongly Disagree	2	3	4	5 Strongly Agree
54. Arrived in a reasonable amount of time					
55. Was an important part of my recovery					

56. Helped meet my disaster related needs				
Programmer Note: If Q56 response = 1, 2, or 3 go to Q57	7 else go to	Q58.	)	

57. Which of the following best describes areas where FEMA financial assistance did not meet your disaster related needs? [Select all that apply.]

- Home repairs
- Rental assistance
- Personal property
- Childcare expenses
- Medical, dental or funeral expenses
- Disability related repairs or improvements
- Other (Specify 50 characters)

58. Is your current employment status...

- Employed for wages
- Self-employed
- Unemployed
- Homemaker
- Student
- Retired
- Prefer not to answer

### CLOSING

The information you provided today is extremely important in helping improve recovery in future disasters. We will check back with you in about six months to see how your recovery is progressing. Thank you for your time.