



# HURRICANE RESOURCES

In partnership with the *LOUISIANA CAMPAIGN FOR TOBACCO FREE LIVING* for Acadian Musicians Impacted by Hurricane Laura  
[QuitwithusLA.org](http://QuitwithusLA.org)

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## FOR MUSICIANS/ ENTERTAINERS:

There are special organizations that help music professionals including sound engineers, roadies, and music producers.

### **MusiCares Financial Assistance:**

CALL 877-626-2748 and SPEAK TO DANIELLE.



### **Actors Fund Hurricane Laura Financial Assistance**

## NATIONAL ASSISTANCE



If you are in the parishes of Cameron, Calcasieu, Beauregard, Vernon, Allen, Rapides, Jeff Davis, Acadia, Vermilion, Rapides, Grant, Natchitoches, Sabine, Winn, Jackson, Ouachita, Jackson and Lincoln, you are probably eligible for some assistance. The type and category of help will depend on the parish.

**Here are the sites you need to start the application process:**

### **FEMA Hurricane Laura Applications**

### **FEMA: Individual & Household Program information**

### **FEMA: What's Next After Applying**

### **FEMA Hurricane Laura Disaster Assistance Resource**

#### IMPORTANT:

If you have already applied for FEMA assistance and been denied, additional information might have been needed to fully process your application. Do not automatically take the first denial as a final decision. You have the right to appeal and you will need to have the following readily available:

- A current phone number where you can be contacted.
- Your address at the time of the disaster and the address where you are now staying.
- Your Social Security number, if available.
- A general list of damages and losses; and If insured, the insurance policy number, or the agent and company name.

## SMALL BUSINESS/ DISASTER LOANS

Low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration are available to homeowners, renters and businesses.

**Call the SBA at 1-800-659-2955 or [view the info online](#).**

## FOOD/CLEANING/OTHER SUPPLIES

You may qualify for the Louisiana Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (DSNAP). Be sure to apply even if you did not normally qualify for the regular Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). DSNAP is a special program to help disaster areas. If you are first time user, you will need to register and create an account on the Louisiana CAFÉ Self-Service Portal.

- **DSNAP Application**
- **Hurricane Laura/Red Cross Resources** and sites updated daily at top of page
- **Salvation Army Lake Charles Corp/Facebook site** for food distribution, etc
- **LA 211** : SWLA United Way for Food, Shelter, Other

**BEWARE:** Prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. For more info, see **[Carbon Monoxide Poisoning After a Disaster](#)**.

**[NOMAF.ORG/ACADIANA](http://NOMAF.ORG/ACADIANA)**



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## CLEAN UP & MOLD PREVENTION

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### CLEANING MOLD DAMAGE

Please remember that black mold is always a deadly problem and should be dealt with in specific ways to protect you and your family's health. The CDC Mold Removal is a first step to dealing with Black Mold properly and safely.

- Air out your house by opening doors and windows. Use fans to dry wet areas & position fans to blow air out doors or windows.
- Throw away anything that you can't clean or dry quickly
  - (mattresses, rugs, carpeting, padding, upholstered furniture, stuffed animals, pillows, books, wall coverings, etc.).
- Remove and discard drywall and insulation that has been contaminated with flood waters.
- Thoroughly clean all wet items and surfaces with hot water and laundry or dish detergent.
  - For example, scrub any flooring, concrete, molding, wood and metal furniture, countertops, appliances, sinks, and other plumbing fixtures.
- Fix any leaks in roofs, walls, or plumbing as soon as you can.

[CDC Mold FAQs](#) | [What To Wear When Cleaning Mold Damage](#)

### INSURANCE RESOURCES

Once you can safely return home, there are some key things to remember and steps to follow to comply with your insurance company and your parish wide pick up system. The LA Dept. of Insurance has advice on clean up AND ensuring your insurance company honors your policy. If you have homeowner's insurance, look it over and determine your coverage for wind and rain. If you were flooded, you will need to file with your separate Flood Insurance provider. Each problem is a separate policy and each has separate criteria that need to be followed.

[LA. Dept of Insurance/Storm Damager Resource Center](#)  
[Filing a Claim After the Storm](#)

### CLEAN UP/ DEMOLITION RESOURCES

Cleaning up your damaged property is never easy. Local parish officials are working hard to remove any and all items you have removed. Please go [KPLC Debris tips](#) to see the correct ways to ensure your items will be picked up for disposal.

#### National Help:

[Samaritan's Purse Construction/Demo](#)

Call if you need help at your residence or visit the local location & register for a crew to come to your site.

[Operation Blue Roof](#)

Apply for help using fiber-reinforced sheeting to cover your damaged roofs until arrangements can be made to repair your property.