

TSA Purpose

Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) is intended to prevent human suffering or to protect and preserve public health or safety.

It is not authorized for all Presidentially-declared disasters.

TSA Eligibility

TSA eligibility is based on information the applicant provides at the time of registration and any disaster specifics. It cannot be requested. Applicants eligible for TSA will be notified by each method of communication listed in their file including by phone via an auto-dialer, an SMS text message, and email notification. To be considered for TSA, applicants must:

- Register with FEMA for assistance
- Pass identity verification
- Pass occupancy verification
- Have primary residence located in area designated for TSA
- Indicate home damage that occurred within the incident period during registration
- Have a current sheltering location of mass shelter, car, place of employment, tent, hotel/motel
- Not be unresolved, linked, or exact duplicate with another valid FEMA registration
- Be a US citizen, non-citizen national or qualified non-citizen, or parent or guardian of minor child who is US citizen

TSA will cover the cost of the GSA room rate plus state and local taxes and non-refundable pet fees.

Continued TSA Eligibility

FEMA regularly reviews applicant files to determine if they still meet the eligibility criteria for TSA. Applicants are eligible to remain in TSA if:

- They are referred to FEMA Housing Assistance
- They did not withdraw from consideration for disaster assistance
- Their pre-disaster primary residence is not safe to occupy based on the inspection
- They are willing to move from the damaged dwelling while repairs are made based on information provided during the inspection
- They do not have insurance that provides Additional Living Expense coverage
- An inspection was completed on their damaged dwelling
- They are not being assisted with another predisaster household member
- They are not participating in an emergency temporary repair program and the repairs have not been completed
- They did not receive Rental Assistance
- They chose to accept Direct Housing Assistance when offered
- They are not leased into a Direct Housing unit or repairs or construction are not completed, if Permanent Housing Construction has been approved
- They are in compliance with the TSA Terms and Conditions

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