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HUD Announces Disaster Assistance for Louisiana Disaster Survivors

In a [press release](#) today, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced the implementation of federal disaster assistance for areas in the State of Louisiana impacted by Hurricane Ida. A presidential [major disaster declaration](#) issued on August 29, 2021, allows HUD to offer assistance to affected families living in impacted communities. According to the press release, effective immediately, the Department will:

- Grant a [90-day moratorium](#) on foreclosures of FHA-insured homes
- Make mortgage insurance available under [HUD's Section 203\(h\)](#) program
- Make insurance available for both mortgages and home rehabilitation under [HUD's Section 203\(k\) program](#)
- Make [information on housing providers](#) and HUD programs available
- Issue regulatory waivers to allow communities more flexibility to use their existing Community Development Block Grant, Continuum of Care, HOME, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS, and Emergency Solutions Grant funds
- Provide flexibility to PHAs, which can apply for needed administrative flexibility through disaster waivers. Click [here](#) to see the notice for PHAs on disaster waivers and administrative flexibilities.
- Ensure [HUD-approved housing counseling agencies](#) are ready to assist
- Assist with housing discrimination

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