

Disaster Relief Resources

Relief & Recovery Resources

Food & Water Distributions

Charlotte Sports Park: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
2300 El Jobean Rd., Port Charlotte
Food, water and supplies distributed as available.

Muscle Car City: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
10175 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda
Food, water and supplies distributed as available.

Tringali Recreational Center: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
3460 North Access Rd., Englewood
Food, water and supplies distributed as available.

Shelters Available

Babcock School Field House
43301 Cypress Parkway, Punta Gorda
This location is accepting residents seeking shelter.

Wellness Check, Check on loved ones

To check on loved ones call 1.800.RED.CROSS (1.800.733.2767).

Get Help

For life-threatening emergencies, call or text 9-1-1.
Sheriff non-emergencies can call 941.833.4161.

There are now two numbers that you can use to reach the Charlotte County Emergency Operations Call Center for response and recovery information. You can call 941.743.1320 or 941.833.4000.

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Citizens can go [online at FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov) to apply for assistance.

Low-interest disaster loans from the [U.S. Small Business Administration \(SBA\)](https://www.sba.gov) are available to businesses and residents in Florida following the announcement of a Presidential disaster declaration. For help, call 800-659-2955 or email DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov.

Text the word CHARCOCARES to 888-777 to receive text updates on Hurricane Ian area resources and more.

Find after-the-storm information in the [Disaster Guide](#).

Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) is available to Florida businesses and residents whose employment or self-employment was lost or interrupted as a direct result of Hurricane Ian. Individuals affected in the designated-disaster areas must file DUA applications by December 30, 2022. If you need assistance, call 1-800-385-3920.

Dislocated Worker Grant Program. National Dislocated Worker Grants are awarded for temporary employment to workers affected by major dislocations, including natural disasters. For information, visit your local CareerSource Center at www.careersourceflorida.com/your-local-team.

Charlotte County Call Center (open 7am - 7pm) - 941-833-4000 or 941-743-1320

County press releases (boil water notices, curfews, etc.)
- www.charlottecountyfl.gov/news/

Public school closures - www.yourcharlotteschools.net

Free Disaster Cleanup Assistance Available

CHARLOTTE COUNTY, Fla. (Oct. 2, 2022) – If you need assistance cleaning up damage from Hurricane Ian, call 1-800-451-1954. Crisis Cleanup will connect you with volunteers from local relief organizations, community groups and faith communities who may be able to assist with:




- Cutting up fallen trees
- Drywall, flooring and appliance removal to curb
- Tarping Roofs
- Debris removal to curb
- Mold mitigation

All services are free, but service is not guaranteed due to overwhelming need. The 1-800-451-1954 hotline will remain open through Friday, Oct. 28, 2022.



HURRICANE IAN HOME CLEANUP HOTLINE: 800-451-1954

If you need assistance with damage from Hurricane Ian, call the number above to ask for help. We will connect you with volunteers from local relief organizations, community groups and faith communities who may be able to assist with:

-  Cut fallen trees
-  Drywall, flooring & appliance removal
-  Tarping roofs
-  Mold mitigation

All services are free, but service is not guaranteed due to the overwhelming need. This hotline will remain open through Friday, October 28, 2022.

PLEASE NOTE: this hotline CANNOT assist with social services such as food, clothing, shelter, insurance, or questions about FEMA registration. Volunteers work free of charge and provide the tools and equipment necessary to complete the work.



FEMA Financial Assistance Available

CHARLOTTE COUNTY, Fla. (Oct. 5, 2022) – Homeowners and renters in Charlotte County who had uninsured losses from Hurricane Ian may be eligible for federal disaster assistance. FEMA may provide financial help with temporary housing expenses, basic home repairs, vehicle replacement and other essential disaster-related needs.

There are three ways to apply: 1) DisasterAssistance.gov, 2) download the FEMA App for mobile devices, 3) call FEMA toll-free 800-621-3362 from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. Eastern Time. Help is available in many languages.

If you do have insurance, do not wait to file an insurance claim for damage caused by the disaster.

American Red Cross:

HOW TO GET HELP If you need a safe place to stay or a hot meal, [find open shelters on redcross.org](#), the free Red Cross Emergency app or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (**800-733-2767**) and selecting the disaster option. You can also find shelters by following your local county and city officials on social media or monitoring local news.

Anyone who has been affected by the storm is welcome to stop by a shelter to get information, a hot meal, charge their phone, pick up relief supplies and get other essential support. The Red Cross helps anyone in need after a disaster, and everyone is welcome in our shelters. All disaster assistance is free, and we don't require people to show any kind of identification to enter a shelter — just their name and where they were living before the disaster.

Our workers will do all they can to welcome service animals and domesticated pets comfortably. If you go to a shelter, please bring your own animal crate, supplies, medications and food whenever possible.

Depending on the situation, pets may need to be housed in a different location with support from animal welfare groups. Please consider visiting redrover.org/hurricaneian for additional pet resources.

Report missing loved ones at Missing.FL.gov, and report yourself, or loved ones, as found and safe at Safe.FL.gov. People in Lee and Charlotte counties can find information on emergency roof coverings being provided by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at BlueRoof.us.

Operation Blue Roof: 1-888-766-3258 or bluroof.us



Operation Blue Roof

WEBSITE: BLUROOF.US

PHONE: 888-766-3258



Learn more about the Hurricane Ian Blue Roof mission using the QR code.

Safety is priority. Inclement weather delays installation.



Speed of installation is based on the number of requests and size of the area impacted.

Steps



Step 1: Submit application



Step 2: Application is validated



Step 3: Damage is assessed



Step 4: Temporary roof is installed



Step 5: Temporary roof inspected by USACE

Timeline



After an application is submitted customers may not be contacted prior to assessment or installation. Blue Roof requests are clustered and prioritized to help as many as possible, as quickly as possible. If you have already made arrangements to protect your property and would like to cancel your application, please contact us.



FEMA



US Army Corps of Engineers

