



West Virginia – Severe Storms July 22, 2026

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Press release July 21, 2026:

“Governor Morrissey Requests Presidential Disaster Declaration for Southern West Virginia Flooding

July 21, 2026

CHARLESTON, W.Va. - Governor Patrick Morrissey today formally requested that President Donald J. Trump approve a Major Disaster Declaration for West Virginia following the catastrophic flooding that struck southern West Virginia on June 22-23. The request seeks federal Individual Assistance for Boone and Logan counties and statewide Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding to help communities recover and better prepare for future disasters.

"The people of southern West Virginia have shown incredible resilience in the face of devastating flooding, but many families have suffered losses that exceed what state and local resources can address alone," said Governor Morrissey. "We've committed every available state resource since these storms hit, and now we're asking President Trump to provide the federal assistance these communities need to rebuild their homes and move forward."

Joint damage assessments conducted by FEMA, the West Virginia Emergency Management Division, local emergency managers, and the U.S. Small Business Administration documented damage to 186 homes across Boone and Logan counties, including 12 destroyed and 18 with major damage.

If approved, the declaration would make FEMA Individual Assistance programs available to eligible residents in Boone and Logan counties, including housing assistance, disaster case management, crisis counseling, and legal services.

The Governor also requested statewide Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funding to support projects that reduce the risk of future flood damage.

"Every family deserves the opportunity to recover from a disaster like this," said Governor Morrisey. "Approving this request will provide critical assistance to homeowners, renters, and communities as they rebuild, while also helping West Virginia invest in projects that make us more resilient before the next storm arrives."

West Virginia's congressional delegation has been in close contact with the governor's administration as leaders strive to ensure affected families receive the federal assistance needed to recover and rebuild."

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Social media post July 22, 2026:

"Information is KEY to unlocking critical financial aid and resources. If yourself or someone you know has flood damage and it has not been reported, fill out our quick Survey123. As always, if you are in immediate need or danger contact 9-11 or your local emergency officials.

[WVEMD Damage Assessment](#)

As you are SAFELY able, recording and documenting this event is essential during recovery. Photos, videos, and even written documentation are wonderful tools to utilize as well. If you have any questions, feel free to message our page or call our office 304-558-5380 in regard to the survey."

American Red Cross

American Red Cross Central Appalachia Region
(844) 216-8286 (phone number is for all below locations)
[Central Appalachia Region | American Red Cross](#)

- Central & Southern West Virginia - Charleston

113 Lakeview Drive
Charleston, WV 25313

- Central & Southern West Virginia – Beckley
200 Industrial Drive
Beckley, WV 25801
- Allegheny Highlands
1299 Pineview Drive, Suite 300
Morgantown, WV 26505
- Tri-State Huntington
520 Kinetic Drive
Huntington, WV 25701
- Ohio River Valley – Parkersburg
220 8th Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101
- Ohio River Valley – Wheeling
193 29th Street
Wheeling, WV 26003

Open Shelters:

- Lewis County High School
205 Minuteman Dr.
Weston, WV 26452
- Buckhannon Church of the Nazarene
192 Zicks Rd.
Buckhannon, WV 26201
- Philippi Middle School
611 Cherry Hill Rd.
Philippi, WV 26416

Department of Transportation

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Building 5
1900 Kanawha Blvd. E
Charleston, WV 25303
(800) 642-9292

[WV Department of Transportation](#)

Please visit [511WV](#) to view current traffic conditions and alerts.

United Way/211 Information and Referrals Lines

These information and referral lines may know of additional resources currently providing assistance, such as food pantries, clothing closets, emergency shelters, and agencies offering financial assistance. Please dial 2-1-1 and provide your zip code and demographic information in order to receive referrals. Information can also be obtained at [Call 211 for Essential Community Services | United Way 211](#).

West Virginia 2-1-1

Dial 2-1-1 or text zip code to 898-211

Toll-Free (833) 848-9905

[West Virginia 211](#)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

(800) 621-3362

[FEMA.gov](#)

Please visit the website and click on “*Disaster Declarations*”. If a disaster is declared, please call to apply for assistance by phone, or visit: [Individual Assistance | FEMA.gov](#) to apply online.

DisasterAssistance.gov

[Home | disasterassistance.gov](#)

Offers information about local resources for disasters, including: FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), Red Cross, food, shelter, state emergency management agencies, and hospital locators.

To determine if individual disaster assistance is available through FEMA, please visit the website and enter the address.

To locate your local state emergency management agency for disaster information and updates, please visit: [Search Your Location | FEMA.gov](#)

American Red Cross National

(800) 733-2767

[American Red Cross | Help Those Affected by Disasters](#)

National Weather Service

Weather alerts by state are available at: [Active Alerts \(weather.gov\)](#).

The Weather Channel

Local forecasts and severe weather.

[National and Local Weather Radar, Daily Forecast, Hurricane and information from The Weather Channel and weather.com.](#)

Safe Travel USA

[SafeTravelUSA](#)

National Traffic And Road Closure Information

[National Traffic and Road Closure Information | Federal Highway Administration \(dot.gov\)](#)

Free Help Line

Optum, a leading health and behavioral health services company, is offering a free emotional-support help line.

The toll-free number, 866-447-3573, will be open Monday-Friday, 8am-8pm CST. The service is free of charge and open to anyone. Specially trained Optum mental health specialists help people manage their stress and anxiety so they can continue to address their everyday needs. Callers may also receive referrals to community resources to help them with specific concerns, including financial and legal matters.

Along with the toll-free help line, emotional-support resources and information are available online at <https://www.liveandworkwell.com>.