

Tornado Emergency Financial Assistance, Deadline Now April 7, 2020

Eligible households now have until Wednesday, April 7, 2020, to contact the American Red Cross

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Monday, March 30, 2020 – The American Red Cross is further extending the deadline to file for emergency financial assistance to people whose homes suffered major damage or were destroyed by the recent tornadoes that struck Middle Tennessee. The new deadline is April 7, 2020.

“We want to make sure that everyone whose home or apartment that suffered major damage or was destroyed has an opportunity to file an application with the Red Cross for financial assistance,” said Kevin Watt, Disaster Program Manager for the American Red Cross Nashville Area. “If the damage to their home falls into this category and they have not yet contacted the Red Cross, they should make a phone call today if at all possible.”

Homeowners and home renters who were affected by the tornadoes can determine if they are qualified for financial assistance and complete an application by calling 800-RED-CROSS (800-733-2767) and selecting prompt #4. Calls will be accepted during the following hours: Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.; Saturday 7:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.; and Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. One gift of financial assistance is available to each qualified household.

Additional forms of assistance may be available to those affected by the tornadoes. Call 2-1-1 or go to [RedCrossDisasterSources.auntbertha.com](https://www.redcross.org/disaster-sources).

All Red Cross services, including financial assistance, are free and available to eligible households, regardless of citizenship or residency status, nationality, race, sexual orientation, religious beliefs, class or political opinions.

About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit [redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org) or [cruzrojaamerica.org](https://www.cruzrojaamerica.org), or visit us on Twitter at [@RedCross](https://twitter.com/RedCross).