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| Disability Rights Texas  |
| **DRTx website:** [**Disaster Resources: Texas Hill Country Flooding Event**](https://disabilityrightstx.org/en/disaster-resources-texas-hill-country-flooding-event/) |
| July 2025 TX Flooding |

**DISASTER DECLARATIONS and FEDERAL/STATE PROGRAMS**

*TX Disaster Declaration (21 counties)* [TX Disaster Dec-July 4 Floods](https://gov.texas.gov/uploads/files/press/DISASTER_Hill_Country_flood_PROC_07-04-2025.pdf) Counties: Bandera, Coke, Comal, Concho, Gillespie, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Llano, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Reeves, San Saba, and Tom Green

* [expanded](https://links-1.govdelivery.com/CL0/https%3A//gov.texas.gov/uploads/files/press/DISASTER_Hill_Country_flood_adding_counties_IMAGE_07-05-2025.pdf/1/01000197dd148d11-b492e369-f1bd-4206-8297-f0449d8e8342-000000/BJXUigLWl2D0HvS2j_xxSYXxqwzg3UaLhV4KzVb20Q0%3D412) Disaster Declaration (7/5/25) Counties: Bexar, Burnet, Caldwell, Guadalupe, Travis, and Williamson
* 7/10/2025-[request](https://links-1.govdelivery.com/CL0/https%3A//links-1.govdelivery.com/CL0/https%3A%252F%252Flinks-1.govdelivery.com%252FCL0%252Fhttps%3A%25252F%25252Fgcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com%25252F%25253Furl%3Dhttps%2525253A%2525252F%2525252Fcdn.prod.website-files.com%2525252F5fcfde680bd548c23d797aef%2525252F686fd109c26717d7fa72ab42_DR-4879%2525252520-%2525252520Request%2525252520to%2525252520Add%2525252520IA%2525252520Counties%25252525207-10-25.pdf%252526data%3D05%2525257C02%2525257Calejandro.coronel%25252540gov.texas.gov%2525257Cda71773496c74cdf2c4408ddbfc3b007%2525257C54cb5da6c7344242bbc25c947e85fb2c%2525257C0%2525257C1%2525257C638877569373705562%2525257CUnknown%2525257CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%2525253D%2525253D%2525257C0%2525257C%2525257C%2525257C%252526sdata%3DufpAG9qVW5jws%2525252FENNLek%2525252BAC%2525252FbLbXWps6RtigEZ0%2525252FD4w%2525253D%252526reserved%3D0%252F1%252F01000197f50e886a-0bfe1cd2-c8f8-431f-a74c-6bfcec5c5fa0-000000%252FPAVjJsbTCNt3YUhF8BNCoqi0FhA3BpW7xsRtcAJT8fo%3D413/1/01000197f5354e83-204e6867-430a-4445-adf4-d543927bf6aa-000000/g_YF61rmDiTjq4wYrS1bcXuNbUlijTiYKvGvWRkldZk%3D413/1/01000197f554c173-0fb9b644-4011-4b03-b79e-1276332341e5-000000/5VFcqg2QiH2AXbGDmvJoSRH9A1vF-S6fbTUDIYdg7b0%3D413) additional counties be added to MDD; Five counties IA– Burnet, San Saba, Tom Green, Travis and Williamson; Kendall, Kimble, Menard, and San Saba for PA
* 7/12/25 requested PA for additional counties Burnet, Llano, Mason, McCulloch, and Tom Green

*Federal Disaster Declaration* [FEMA DR 4879](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4879) Under Individual Assistance, FEMA and the State may be able to provide several types of financial and direct assistance to individuals and families. Assistance may include ***funding for residents and non-residents*** of counties. **FEMA** **Deadline Sept. 4 2025**

* DRC opened 7/10/25 in Kerrville; First Baptist Church 625 Washington St Kerrville, TX 78028; open daily 8am-7 pm. [FEMA PR DR  4879](https://www.fema.gov/press-release/20250709/fema-sba-and-state-texas-open-disaster-recovery-center-kerrville)
* 7/11/25 expanded [FEMA DR 4879](https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4879/designated-areas) to include Burnet, San Saba, Tom Green, Travis and Williamson
	+ FEMA [PR on programs DR 4879](https://www.fema.gov/press-release/20250709/disaster-assistance-available-july-flood-survivors-texas) on Disaster Assistance (medical, funeral transportation and personal for non-residents if eligible)
	+ FEMA ONA program administered by TX [HHSC FEMA ONA FAQ](https://www.hhs.texas.gov/sites/default/files/documents/july-2025-flooding-other-needs-assistance-faq.pdf)

HHS *Public Health Emergency* [PHE](https://aspr.hhs.gov/legal/PHE/Pages/Texas-Floods-8Jul2025.aspx)

*SBA disaster declaration* [SBA TX-20057](https://lending.sba.gov/search-disaster/?disaster=TX-20057)  *Primary counties (6):* Burnet, Kerr, San Saba, Tom Green, Travis, Williamson and *contiguous counties (27)*: Bandera, Bastrop, Bell, Blanco, Brown, Caldwell, Coke, Concho, Edwards, Gillespie, Hays, Irion, Kendall, Kimble, Lampasas, Lee, Llano, Mason, Mcculloch, Menard, Milam, Mills, Reagan, Real, Runnels, Schleicher, Sterling. **Deadline** for **Physical Damage** filing **09/05/2025** Deadline for **Economic Injury** filing **04/06/2026**

*Unemployment*-The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) is now accepting applications for [Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)](https://www.twc.texas.gov/news/disaster-unemployment-assistance-available-hill-country-flooding) as a result of the floods. **The deadline to apply for DUA is September 4, 2025.**

*Damaged or lost food-*Eligible households can receive replacements of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits that were lost due to the floods. **SNAP recipients have until August 4, 2025, to request a benefit replacement.** Some SNAP recipients impacted by the floods are allowed to purchase hot foods and ready-to-eat meals with their benefits. No action is required to receive this additional benefit, which is **available through August 7.** For more information about damaged or lost food, including which counties are eligible for which benefits, visit the Texas Health and Human Services [Receiving Disaster Assistance webpage](https://www.hhs.texas.gov/services/disaster-assistance/receiving-disaster-assistance).

[USDA Fed disaster](https://www.fsa.usda.gov/news-events/news/07-10-2025/federal-emergency-management-agency-designates-one-county-texas-natural?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)  *United States Department of Agriculture* (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) to extend much-needed emergency credit to producers recovering from natural disasters through [emergency loans](https://www.fsa.usda.gov/resources/programs/emergency-farm-loans). Emergency loans can be used to meet various recovery needs including the replacement of essential items such as equipment or livestock, reorganization of

a farming operation, or to refinance certain debts. FSA will review the loans based on the extent of losses, security available, and repayment ability. Deadline **March 6 2026**.

*Texas Department of Agriculture’s*-State of Texas Agriculture Relief- [STAR Fund](https://texasagriculture.gov/Home/Production-Agriculture/Disaster-Assistance/STAR-Fund/Severe-Weather) **November 4, 2025**; TDA Agri-Stress helpline 1-833-897-2474 for assistance

Crisis Counseling- *The Texas Health and Human Services Commission* (HHSC) launched the Texas Flooding Emotional Support Line, a new statewide crisis support line for Texans impacted by the recent floods. The crisis support line is available 24/7 and provides professional crisis counseling at no cost. Survivors, families, first responders, and others affected by the disaster can receive professional crisis counseling at no cost by calling 833-812-2480.

IRS tax relief [TX July 2025-IRS Disaster notice](https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-announces-tax-relief-for-taxpayers-impacted-by-severe-storms-straight-line-winds-and-flooding-in-texas-various-deadlines-postponed-to-feb-2-2026)

*American Red Cross*-has made a suite of financial assistance services available to help alleviate human suffering and defray the costs resulting from the fatalities, and hospitalizations or ongoing search for individuals impacted by the flooding. Effective Date: This guidance is effective as of July 9, 2025. Expiration Date: This program expires on January 4, 2026. [ARC July 2025 TX Flood Assistance](https://www.redcross.org/about-us/our-work/disaster-relief/flood-relief/texas-hill-country-floods-financial-assistance.html?srsltid=AfmBOootDyKI6FDLCWfgkYO8NwGfrdlHs8bqYblNzKSqqffqutk5_BAG) **1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)**

**Reporting Damage:** [**iSTAT**](https://damage.tdem.texas.gov/)

*State/Local Relief Funds*

* [Central Texas Flood Recovery Fund](https://onestarfoundation.org/central-texas-flood-recovery-fund) OneStar Foundation
* [Kerr County Flood Relief Fund](https://www.communityfoundation.net/) Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country
* [San Angelo Disaster Relief Fund](https://saaf.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit_id=1625) San Angelo Area Foundation

**VOAD/COAD**

*SA VOAD* (supporting Kerr County) started coordination call July 5th and have been occurring daily. Moving to MWF week of July 14th.

*TX VOAD* will start calls next Monday, hosting call MWF starting July 14th.

* All responding and participating organizations asked to utilize Texas Community Recovery [TCR](https://tcr.communityos.org/) for reporting

**COMMUNITY LIFELINES**

*Food, Hydration, and Shelter:*

Sheltering [211 Shelter info](https://www.211texas.org/guided_search/?ds=%7B%22service%5C%5Cservice_taxonomy%5C%5Cmodule_servicepost%22%3A%7B%22value%22%3A%5B%7B%22taxonomy_id%22%3A6964%7D%5D%2C%22operator%22%3A%5B%22contains_array%22%5D%7D%2C%22agency%5C%5Cagency_system%5C%5Cname%22%3A%7B%22value%22%3A%22VLTEST%22%2C%22operator%22%3A%5B%22notequals%22%5D%7D%7D) and [American Red Cross Sheltering Operations](https://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html) (these are fluid with needs)

* At the height 19 shelters and 4 Family Reunification Centers open; # of sites have already decreases
	+ Currently 5 Mass care, 12 AR across four counties
* At the height TCEQ is tracking 23 drinking water systems that are on a Boil Water Notice (BWN)
	+ Currently all notices have been rescinded
* TDHCA working with the following partners communication action agency/community councils and local officials to identify and assist impacted households with immediate food/gas/hotel needs in Tom Green, Kerr, Guadalupe and San Saba counties.

*Health and Medical*:

▪ Fatalities (130) with many still unaccounted

▪ DSHS

* State Medical Operations Center (SMOC) has activated for 24-hour operations.
* DSHS initiated mortality surveillance operations
	+ Public Health Region 8 deployed, CB, STERAC RAC deployed additional Mortuary Enhanced Remains Cooling Systems, Morgue trailer, staff for fatality management

▪ HHSC

* The Longterm Care Regulation section reports: The Kerrville State Hospital reports no major impacts. A long-term care (LTC) facility in Burnet County was evacuated. Other LTC facilities have reported impacts from the severe weather but are able to shelter in place. A residential childcare facility in Liberty Hill was evacuated, and the children were moved into a stable environment. Two intermediate care facilities in Seguin have been relocated to hotels.
* Staffing census for impacted staff and COOP
* HHSC crisis counseling at no cost by calling 833-812-2480
* Disaster Behavioral Health: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s [Disaster Distress Helpline](https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline)

 *Energy*:

* At the height of outages >40k people, due to downed lines and poles across area
	+ Currently Texas customers without power statewide: >2k;
		- [Statewide outages](https://poweroutage.us/area/state/texas); Utilities Public Utility Commission Outage Map [Click Here](https://www.puc.texas.gov/storm/) and ERCOT Grid and Market Conditions Dashboard [Click Here](https://www.ercot.com/gridmktinfo/dashboards)

*Transportation*:

* At the height over 100 low water crossings were reported impacted
	+ Currently: TxDOT has 34 locations on state-maintained roads impacted by floodwaters, with 9 closed due to highwater and 25 are closed due to damages.
* TX DOT road closure information: [Click Here](https://drivetexas.org/#/11/30.3251/-97.7017?future=false) and evacuation and contraflow routes: [Click Here](https://www.txdot.gov/safety/severe-weather/hurricane-preparation.html)

*Education*

Check with local ISD for any impacts on summer programming/activities.

Additional Resources

* [Texas FLOOD.org](https://map.texasflood.org/) provides info on river gauges, lake levels and alerts.
* [Texas River Authority](https://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/water/habitats/rivers/authorities.phtml)
* [National Weather Service-River Forecasts](https://water.weather.gov/ahps/forecasts.php)
* Check with local water districts for safety of water [TCEQ FAQ on after a disaster](https://www.tceq.texas.gov/downloads/drinking-water/preparedness-resources/gi-431.pdf)

**TX July 4th Flooding**

Incident: July 3rd -July 8th; excessive amounts of rain, straight line winds, flooding in West and Central Texas (the remnant mid-level circulation of Atlantic [Tropical Storm Barry](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tropical_Storm_Barry_%282025%29) became embedded within a broader mid-level [trough](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trough_%28meteorology%29) containing tropical east Pacific remnant moisture). This system developed into thunderstorms which stalled over [Central Texas](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Central_Texas), and West Texas causing heavy rains.

**Topography of Texas/weather climates**

* The Texas Hill Country features a topography of rolling hills, steep canyons, and valleys, resulting from the erosion of limestone and other bedrock
* Humid subtropical climate

**River basins-**[**Colorado**](https://www.twdb.texas.gov/surfacewater/rivers/river_basins/colorado/index.asp) **, San Antonio, Guadalupe**

* Several tributaries of the [Colorado River](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colorado_River_%28Texas%29) in Texas—including the [Llano](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Llano_River) and [Pedernales](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pedernales_River) Rivers, which cross the region west to east and join the Colorado as it cuts across the region to the southeast—drain a large portion of the Hill Country.
* The [Guadalupe](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guadalupe_River_%28Texas%29), [San Antonio](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/San_Antonio_River), [Frio](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Frio_River), [Medina](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Medina_River), and [Nueces](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nueces) Rivers originate in the Hill Country.
* The [Guadalupe River](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guadalupe_River_%28Texas%29) is prone to flash flooding due to a combination of topography, geology, and climate; Texas Hill Country is often called [Flash Flood Alley](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flash_Flood_Alley).
* Many of the areas, specifically the camps, RV parks are in high-risk Flood zones
* [NFHL](https://hazards-fema.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=8b0adb51996444d4879338b5529aa9cd) and [NRI](https://hazards.fema.gov/nri/) (risk index and SVI)

System stalled out and trailed over this area on July 4th, causing the flash floods as it hit the headwaters (north and south fork) on the Guadalupe. Causing the Guadalupe River to flood @ Hunt rose to 37.5 feet, Kerrville rose to 34.3 feet @ Comfort 35.6 feet (anything over 20 considered major flooding) in less than an hour Friday morning.

San Gabriel River caused flooding in Georgetown, Austin-Travis County. 37.4 feet

*Rain* 9-over 20 inches; falling at 2 in/hour

Liberty Hill and Streeter-more than 20 inches of rain ; Marble Falls: 18.5 inches; Hext: 18.49 inches; Lago Vista: 18.38 inches; Balcones: 17.69 inches ; Wall: 17.5 inches ; San Angelo: 13.51 inches ; Burnett: 13.41 inches ; Ingram: 11.68 inches; Mason: 10.11 inches; Llano: 9.62 inches, Seguin: 9.26 inches; Austin: 8.78 inches

**San Angelo and Concho Valley** (West Texas-NW edge of Edwards Plateau)

Concho River @ San Angelo rose to 15.3 ft

*Rain-*San Angelo experienced a flood event the morning of July 4 on the northern and eastern portions of the City where 10 to 15 inches fell. The rest of the city experienced around 2 to 5 inches of rainfall during that time.

* **July 5** saw more flash flood warnings for the [Lake Travis](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lake_Travis) area, which is part of the [Colorado River watershed](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colorado_River_%28Texas%29).
* Rain continued to impact the area, causing additional flood watches and warnings through Tuesday July 8th.
* **July 11:**  Rivers in impacted area have receded back below flood stage, there is a low chance of rain over the next couple days. In Texas, search and rescue/recovery missions remain a priority, route clearance and debris management operations have begun, assessments of impacted infrastructure are ongoing. Search and rescue operations are ongoing, life safety remaining a top priority.
* **July 13:** Additional flash flooding caused delays in operations and issued emergency alerts, as the San Saba River rapidly rose to major. Low lying areas had mandatory evacuations dozens of rescues took place in Lampasas and San Saba, where rivers and creeks swelled dramatically. Lampasas, located northeast of Kerr County, saw its river rise from a normal 10-foot level to over 30 feet, leading to widespread road closures and evacuations.