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Ida Sheltering Program to End May 31st

BATON ROUGE (March 9, 2023) – The Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) has announced operations for the Ida Sheltering Program are scheduled to end on May 31st. The state operated, federally supported program helped provide thousands of travel trailers to thousands of families impacted by Hurricane Ida, a Category 4 storm that hit the Louisiana coast in August of 2021.

We are encouraging any families still involved in the program to secure alternate temporary or permanent housing as quickly as possible. This deadline does not impact Ida survivors currently housed in FEMA's Manufactured Housing Units (MHUs) or other programs.

Ida Sheltering Program staff are available to assist families with a plan to transition from the shelter unit. It is imperative that families remain engaged and in contact with Ida Sheltering staff regularly and proactively work with staff on their shelter transition plan. Ida Sheltering Program staff can be reached at **844-268-0301**.

The sheltering program allowed the state to install these units across seven impacted parishes before other traditional Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) temporary housing programs became available.

“This unique approach to non-congregate sheltering provided assistance to nearly 5,400 families following Hurricane Ida,” said GOHSEP Director Casey Tingle. “FEMA offered our staff at GOHSEP the opportunity to develop the program in the most heavily impacted areas because few options were available to families. We worked closely with our parish partners to identify where the travel trailers were needed and where they could be installed. We appreciate FEMA identifying the need for the program and providing the support to make it a reality.”

Additionally, Disaster Case Management services are available to offer assistance to families with identifying and securing temporary or permanent housing solutions. If a family is in need of case management to assist with Hurricane Ida Recovery, they can sign up for Disaster Case Management online at: [DCM - Hurricane Ida - Get a Game Plan](#) or by calling the following agencies depending upon the parish in which sheltered:

- St. Charles and St. John the Baptist Parishes- Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans at **1-985-605-5846**,
- Jefferson, St. James and Plaquemines Parishes- Endeavors at **1-504-224-4622**
- Terrebonne and Lafourche Parishes- The Workforce Group at **1-985-302-0135**.

Find more tips on weather and preparedness on GOHSEP's Facebook and Twitter accounts. The Get A Game Plan App is another resource available to help you and your family prepare for any type emergency. You can download the Louisiana Emergency Preparedness Guide and find other information at www.getagameplan.org.

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