

What to do after a NATURAL DISASTER



☐ Take stock of the damage

Assuming everyone is safe, try to take stock of the damage as soon as possible.

- ☐ List all of the damage in writing. ☐ Take photos and/or videos of damage.

☐ Secure your property

Take steps to prevent further damage and protect your property from the elements.

- ☐ Secure property against the elements. Check windows, doors, walls, and the roof.
☐ Ensure utilities are turned off until a professional can confirm they're safe to use.

☐ Contact your providers

Start the paperwork to document that you've experienced a natural disaster.

- ☐ Landlord and/or mortgage provider, as well as any property manager(s)
☐ Your insurance provider(s).

☐ Apply for assistance

To qualify for FEMA assistance, you must be in a presidentially-declared disaster area. If that isn't the case, you may still be eligible for state or local aid. If you aren't sure whether you need assistance and/or if you qualify, it's a good idea to contact FEMA regardless as the documentation may be useful later on.

☐ Secure your records

It's important to keep track of everything, from the initial damage to the cost of repairs and everything in between. Since physical document storage can be difficult under these circumstances, consider digital storage options. Quorum clients can use the Vault on our client portal for fully-encrypted document storage.

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