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Report Damage From Severe Thunderstorms

INDIANAPOLIS – Indianapolis and Marion County residents, who sustained damage caused by severe weather, including wind and flooding beginning Sunday night, February 27 and ongoing, are urged to report damage online at <https://oas.in.gov:4443/hs/damage>. A link to the form is available on the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) website at www.in.gov/dhs. In the middle of the page under “Topics of the Day,” click on “Report damage from severe storms and flooding that began February 27, 2011.”

Individuals with uninsured damage from the severe weather must report quickly and the faster we can assess the situation, the better, especially if the determination is to pursue federal assistance.

Individuals will be asked to provide their name, address, phone number, damage to property and type of damage the property sustained. Losses can include structural damage to homes and loss of personal property.

This Is Not An Application For Any Assistance Program

This is NOT an application for a grant with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Information will be used to help the Department of Public Safety Division of Homeland Security (DPS/DHS) preliminarily assess damage to determine if federal assistance can be pursued by the state.

Individuals without Internet access are encouraged to contact a friend, family member or neighbor for assistance. Web access is also available at many libraries, religious institutions, community centers and other public facilities. As a last resort, individuals may contact DHS directly to report damage at 317-327-3900.

Additional rainfall combined with melting snow could aggravate or expand current flooding situations. We are asking that Indianapolis and Marion County residents continue to pay attention to the forecast and purchase flood insurance before flooding.

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