# Free Legal Assistance for Tropical Storm Helene Survivors

### HOW WE HELP WITH DISASTER RELIEF

#### **FEMA**

Assisting survivors with information about their rights, and advocating for survivors when they are applying for recovery fund assistance and appealing decisions

#### HOUSING

**HOMEOWNERS** | Assistance with insurance policies, recovery appeals, proving property ownership, avoiding foreclosure and mortgage issues, providing information on rights, and more

**RENTERS** | Recovery appeals, evictions, lease terminations, landlord/tenant disputes, understanding renters rights and insurance policies, providing additional legal help during disaster recovery, and more

#### **DOCUMENT REPLACEMENT**

Including wills, powers of attorney, personal identification, birth certificates and Social Security cards

#### ASSIST LONG-TERM RECOVERY GROUPS

Assistance with 501(c)(3) non-profit incorporation, drafting legal documents related to incorporation, and general guidance as groups navigate the disaster relief ecosystem

#### SUPPORT VICTIMS OF FRAUD

Provide resources and assistance to avoid fraud after a disaster, as well as help victims of contractor fraud and housing repair scams



NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION







Disaster Legal Services, which allows callers to request the assistance of a lawyer, is a partnership between the North Carolina Bar Association, North Carolina Bar Foundation, Legal Aid of North Carolina, the American Bar Association Young Lawyers Division. The Federal Emergency Management Agency provides funding for the helpline.

A toll-free legal aid helpline is now available for survivors of Tropical Storm Helene in Western North Carolina.

## CALL 866.219.5262 for free legal help.

For more resources, visit **legalaidnc.org/ disaster**.