



HAVING TROUBLE ACCESSING RECOVERY FUNDS BECAUSE YOU LACK CLEAR TITLE TO A HOME YOU INHERITED?

A community's recovery is severely delayed when families cannot get rebuilding funds because the legal title or deed is in the name of a deceased relative - not the person who lives in the house. This happens when the family has not transferred property using a succession or will - a process within the legal system. Though Louisiana Appleseed's efforts, Louisiana law now allows, in times of disaster, a public entity to deal with and distribute funds to eligible co-owners who have resided in the house for at least a year, even if they lack clear title to the house. (La. CCP 3422.1)

If the title to your inherited home is not in your name but you need to access disaster-related funds to repair or restore your property, please call LCJC at [1-800-310-7029](tel:1-800-310-7029) with answers to these questions:

1. Was your house damaged by recent floods?
2. Is the title or deed in someone else's name, like a parent or grandparent?
3. Have you been living on the property for more than one year?
4. Is the property valued at \$75,000 or less? Or did the person from whom you inherited die more than 25 years ago?

To learn about Louisiana Appleseed's heir property accomplishments and about what happens when residents lack clear title to inherited property, please visit www.LouisianaAppleseed.org.