



**Disaster Recovery Assistance for Individuals Activation Notice**

**Pennsylvania Disaster Recovery Assistance Program Activation Notice**

<b>DRAP Available Date:</b> January 8, 2024	<b>DRAP Closing Date:</b> April 9, 2024	<b>eGrant Activation Name:</b> DRAP Northampton/Bucks County Flood – July 2023
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The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) issued a Disaster Declaration for a number of Pennsylvania counties (PA-00138) impacted by the severe storms and flash flooding that occurred on July 15, 2023 in Bucks and Northampton Counties. The Disaster Recovery Assistance Program (D-RAP) may be available to eligible residents who applied for and were denied an SBA disaster loan and live in a municipality identified in this notice.

D-RAP is a grant program to aid recovery efforts for homeowners and renters who meet lower income thresholds, are uninsured or underinsured, and when other local, state, federal, non-governmental, or private aid is not available. For those who qualify, grants can be used to repair their home, cover temporary housing, or replace essential personal property.

**Eligibility:**

To be eligible for D-RAP:

1. The homeowner or renter must have suffered losses caused directly by the disaster.
2. The homeowner or renter must first apply for a disaster loan through the U.S. SBA and be denied because of inability to repay or inadequate credit.
3. Household income must be below 500% of the most recent National Federal Poverty Guidelines published by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.
4. The homeowner’s or renter’s primary residence must be in a municipality included in this DRAP activation.

PEMA is in the process of contacting individuals directly who meet all of the eligibility criteria to make them aware of the program and to provide instructions on how to submit a grant application.

**Municipalities included in the DRAP activation:**

**Bucks County:** Lower Makefield Township, Newtown Township, Upper Makefield Township, Wrightstown Township.

**Northampton County:** Bangor Borough, Forks Township, Lower Mt Bethel Township, Palmer Township, Plainfield Township, Upper Mt Bethel Township, Washington Township.

Municipalities included in this D-RAP activation:

- Are located within the primary or contiguous counties included in SBA declaration PA-00138, Severe Storms and Flash Flooding.
- Issued a disaster declaration within two weeks of the event.
- Reported damage to at least one home as a result of the disaster event.

**Supplementary Information:**

Details about the program are on the PA Emergency Management website at:

[www.pema.pa.gov/recovery/disaster-help](http://www.pema.pa.gov/recovery/disaster-help). If you are unable to visit the website, you can email questions to [PADRAP@pa.gov](mailto:PADRAP@pa.gov).

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