Disaster Recovery Assistance for Individuals Activation Notice

Pennsylvania Disaster Recovery Assistance Program (DRAP) Activation Notice

DRAP Availably Date:	DRAP Closing Date:	eGrant Activation Name:
April 8, 2024	July 8, 2024	DRAP – Lackawanna, Luzerne, and
		Wyoming Counties - 2023

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) issued a Disaster Declaration for a number of Pennsylvania counties (PA-20002) impacted by the severe storms and flooding that occurred on September 9, 2023. The Disaster Recovery Assistance Program (DRAP) 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.

DRAP 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 DRAP:

- 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 SBA and be denied because of inability to repay or inadequate credit.
- 3. Household income must be below 500% of the most recent National 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.

Applicants are required to provide the SBA loan denial notification as part of the DRAP grant application. Program guidelines and eligibility requirements are on the PA Emergency Management website at: https://www.pema.pa.gov/Recovery/disaster-help/Documents/DRAP%20Guidance%20-%20Final.pdf

Municipalities included in the DRAP activation:

- Are located within the primary or contiguous counties included in SBA declaration PA-20002, Severe Storms and 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.

Lackawanna County: Clarks Summit Borough, Dalton Borough, Glenburn Township, La Plume Township, Newton Township, North Abington Township, Ransom Township, Scranton City, South Abington Township, West Abington Township.

Luzerne: Dallas Borough, Dallas Township, Exeter Township, Jackson Township, Kingston Township, Lehman Township, Nanticoke City, Union Township.

Wyoming County: Exeter Township, Factoryville Borough, Falls Township, Lemon Township, Northmoreland Township, Overfield Township.

Supplementary Information:

Details about the program are on the PA Emergency Management website at: www.pema.pa.gov/recovery/disaster-help. If you are unable to visit the website, you can email questions to PADRAP@pa.gov.

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