



What You Need to Apply for Disaster Rehabilitation Assistance



After a disaster, you may need to seek financial assistance to restore your home or farm. There are many sources of assistance, but you will be required to provide certain information. The lists below can help you assemble the necessary information before you meet with any agents.

What you will need for most grants or loans:

- Itemized list of losses.
- Estimates of the repair or replacement cost of each item.
- Estimates of new flood insurance premiums.
- Federal income tax returns from the last three years (copies).
- Deed, mortgage, or renter's lease (copy).
- Previous insurance policy or insurance settlement (copy).

For personal loss:

- Proof of monthly income (stubs, statements).
- Driver's license and/or Social Security Number.

Business or farm loss:

- A brief history of the business or farm.
- Personal and business financial statements.
- Loan repayment schedule.
- List of bills owed.
- Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service information on farm crop base and assigned yields.

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The Disaster Handbook for Extension Agents
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<<http://www.uwex.edu/ces/news/handbook.htm>>

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