# What does this program do?

It provides grants to very-low and low-income homeowners to repair owner-occupied homes damaged in calendar year 2022 Presidentially Declared Disaster areas.

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# Who can apply?

To qualify, your property must have been damaged in an area designated in a calendar year 2022 Presidential disaster declaration, and you must:

- Be the homeowner and occupy the house (occupancy after repair can be authorized)
- Have an adjusted household income within very-low- or low-income limits



Single Family Housing Rural Disaster Home Repair Grants

## What is an eligible area?

Properties must be located in an eligible rural area. You can visit the USDA Income and Property Eligibility website (available at this link: go.usa.gov/xzcdM) for complete details.

#### What disaster areas are eligible?

Properties located in calendar year 2022 Presidentially Declared Disaster areas are eligible to apply. A list maintained by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is available at this link: <u>tinyurl.com/2p8hp2km</u>. In the dropdown boxes on that webpage, select the year 2022, and then choose "Major Disaster Declaration" or "Fire Management Assistance Declaration" as the declaration type.

### How can funds be used?

- Disaster-related home repair expenses, including costs incurred prior to application
- Site preparation
- The cost to move a manufactured home to a new location

#### Is there a deadline to apply?

Applications are available year-round as long as funding is available, and

are processed in the order in which they are received.

### What are some of the grant terms?

- The maximum grant award is \$44,000.
- Grant recipients must certify there is no duplication of benefits with other funding or awards.
- Very-low income applicants may also be eligible to apply for Single Family Housing Home Repair Loans and Grants (information is available at this link: go.usa.gov/xzDFr).

#### How do I get started?

Contact a USDA home loan specialist in your area. You will find a map connecting to state-based information at this link: **tinyurl.com/RDStateOffices**.

### What governs this program?

- The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (available at this link: tinyurl.com/2mtbsknc)
- The Housing Act of 1949 as amended: 7 CFR, Part 3550 (available at this link: go.usa.gov/xzcvG)
- HB-1-3550 Direct Single Family Housing Program Field Office Handbook (available at this link: go.usa.gov/xzcvM - PDF)

NOTE: Because information changes, always consult official program instructions or contact your local USDA Rural Development office for help. A list is available at this link: <u>tinyurl.com/RDStateOffices</u>. You will find additional RD program resources at rd.usda.gov. Information about other USDA programs and services is available at this link: <u>ask.usda.gov</u>. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

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