



Flood Relief for Iowans with Disabilities

Before completing the following Application for Financial Grant Assistance, please review the following frequently asked questions:

What is Flood Relief for Iowans with Disabilities?

The Governor’s Developmental Disabilities Council, the Iowa Program for Assistive Technology, and the Iowa Able Foundation are working together to raise funds for distribution to individuals with disabilities in Iowa’s designated disaster areas who are low income and unable to replace basic assistive technology lost in the floods during the summer of 2008.

Who is eligible to apply?

Eligible applicants include Iowans with disabilities that can document their disability, have a FEMA number, are low income (guidelines based on 150% of US Department of Health and Human Services 2008 Poverty Chart) and have lost critical assistive technology during Iowa’s floods of 2008.

Persons in Family Unit	Documented Income
1	\$15,600
2	21,000
3	26,400
4	31,800
5	37,200
6	42,600
7	48,000
8	53,400
For each additional person, add	5,400

How much financial grant assistance can be requested?

When funds are available, financial grants will be available to qualified applicants for requests that range from \$50 to \$1,000.

What types of assistive technology will the financial grant cover?

Financial grants may be used for any assistive device, equipment, or modification that is essential to an individual’s independence or living requirements. Examples include, but are not limited to, the following items/modifications irreparably damaged or lost due to flood waters: ramps, repair of home accessibility modifications, adapted vehicle damages, wheelchairs and scooters, bath chairs or benches, raised toilet seats,

eating utensils, alternative safety alert systems. The financial grant may also cover required co-payments for public benefit purposes.

Grant Payments

Applicants will be required to provide evidence of damage or loss incurred. Such evidence might consist of a formal estimate for rebuilding or a quote for the cost of replacement assistive technology. All financial grant funds will be co-paid to the applicant and vendor.

What will the financial grant not cover?

The financial grant may not be used to purchase a new vehicle or medications. The financial grant may not be used to replace assistive technology not lost or damaged due to flood waters.

Are there other resources from Iowa Able Foundation for assistive technology not lost or damaged in the flood?

The Iowa Able Foundation provides low interest, flexible loans to qualified applicants for the purchase of assistive technology or business start up funding. For more information about Iowa Able loans, please contact Iowa Able Foundation at toll free 1.888.222.8943 ext 225 or apply online at www.iowaable.org.

Are the other resources for assistive technology damaged in the flood?

Yes, you can call Iowa COMPASS at 1-800-779-2001 to get more information about possible funding sources for replacing assistive technology or sources of used equipment.

What counties are designated disaster areas?

As determined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the following Iowa counties are included in FEMA's designated disaster area when considering personal assistance: Adams, Allamakee, Benton, Black Hawk, Boone, Bremer, Buchanan, Butler, Cedar, Cerro Gordo, Chickasaw, Clayton, Clinton, Crawford, Decatur, Delaware, Des Moines, Dubuque, Fayette, Floyd, Franklin, Fremont, Greene, Hamilton, Hancock, Hardin, Harrison, Jasper, Johnson, Jones, Keokuk, Kossuth, Lee, Linn, Louisa, Madison, Mahaska, Marion, Marshall, Mills, Monona, Montgomery, Muscatine, Page, Polk, Pottawattamie, Scott, Story, Tama, Union, Van Buren, Wapello, Warren, Washington, Webster, Winneshiek, and Wright Counties

Is there a deadline for applying for assistance?

There is no deadline for applying for assistance. Applications will be considered on a first come, first served basis as grant funds become available.

If approved, how long does it take to receive assistance?

Upon receipt of application and any additional documentation as requested by the Iowa Able Foundation, funds for approved applications will be distributed within ten days. The distribution of funds is based on availability of grant funding.

Can more than one application be submitted per household?

One application per household may be submitted.

For more information, please contact Patti Lind at prlind@abilitiesfund.org or call toll free 1.888.222.8943.

Application for Financial Grant Assistance

Please print legibly and complete the application in full

1. First Name: _____ M.I. _____ Last Name: _____

2. Date of Birth: Day _____ Month _____ Year _____

3. Address:

Street 1: _____

Street 2: _____

City: _____

State and Zip Code: _____

County: _____

4. Telephone Number

Area Code ____ - ____ - _____

5. E-Mail Address

_____ @ _____

6. Are You a Homeowner, Landlord, or Tenant?

_____ Homeowner

_____ Landlord

_____ Tenant

7. Do you have Homeowners/Renters Insurance? (check one)

_____ Yes, I have _____ _____ No, I do not have homeowners/renters insurance

8. Please provide the following information: A) your assigned FEMA number, B) the financial grant request amount, and C) describe, in detail, items to be replaced with financial grant funds.

A. FEMA Number: _____

B. Financial Grant Request: \$ _____

C. Detailed description of item(s) to be replaced with financial grant funds:

Item	Amount requested	Originally purchased using what funds? Check all that apply for each item				
		Out of pocket	Medicaid	Medicaid Waiver	Medicare	Other: Please List

9. Have you received, or do you anticipate receiving, any other financial aid for the replacement or restoration of your disability equipment?

_____ Yes, I have received the following financial aid for each assistive technology item lost in the floods:

Agency/Resource _____ \$ _____

Agency/Resource _____ \$ _____

Agency/Resource _____ \$ _____

Or

_____ No, I have not received financial aid for assistive technology lost in the floods

10. Please provide any additional information regarding your request for a financial grant

I certify that all the information in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. If any of the submitted information changes, I will be responsible for notifying the Iowa Able Foundation as soon as possible. I understand that the Iowa Able Foundation will validate any information provided and will reclaim any money that has been paid as a result of fraudulent or misleading claims.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____