Buncombe County at a Glance

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Since the federal disaster declaration for Tropical Storm Fred, Buncombe County residents have received more than \$1.62 million in federal funds as of Oct. 6, 2021:

- **\$392,879** in FEMA grants to homeowners and renters.
- \$1.17 million in claims paid to National Flood Insurance Program policyholders.
- \$57,500 in U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) low-interest disaster loans approved for homeowners, renters and businesses.

Individual Assistance in Buncombe County:

- 138 homeowners and renters have been approved for \$392,879 in federal grants through FEMA's Individuals and Households Program. This includes:
- \$367,321 in Housing Assistance grants for home repair, home replacement, and/or rental assistance.
- \$25,558 in Other Needs Assistance grants to replace essential household items and for other critical disaster-related costs.
- **50** homeowners and renters have been approved for rental assistance.
- **529** home inspections issued; **431** completed.
- Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA) visited 261 households in Buncombe County.
- A Document Drop-off Center operated until Oct. 2 to help survivors with registration, application updates and referrals.

IA Assistance in Asheville:

- 35 homeowners and renters have been approved for \$146,885 in federal grants through FEMA's Individuals and Households Program. This includes:
 - \$143,955 in Housing Assistance grants for home repair, home replacement, and/or rental assistance.



- \$2,930 in Other Needs Assistance grants to replace essential household items and for other critical disaster-related costs.
- 19 homeowners and renters have been approved for rental assistance.

■ IA Assistance in Candler:

- 45 homeowners and renters have been approved for \$149,353 in federal grants through FEMA's Individuals and Households Program. This includes:
 - \$132,785 in Housing Assistance grants for home repair, home replacement, and/or rental assistance.
 - \$16,568 in Other Needs Assistance grants to replace essential household items and for other critical disaster-related costs.
- 19 homeowners and renters have been approved for rental assistance. •

U.S. Small Business Administration:

■ SBA is operating a Business Recovery Center at Asheville-Buncombe
Technical Community College, 1465 Sand Hill Rd., Suite 1054, Candler, NC
28715. Hours are Monday—Friday, 9 a.m.—6 p.m., closed Saturday and Sunday.
SBA has approved \$57,500 in low-interest disaster loans to 4 applicants.

National Flood Insurance Program:

NFIP has paid \$1.17 million to policyholders who filed claims.

Public Assistance:

- Buncombe County was approved for assistance for debris removal, emergency protective measures and permanent work Sept. 8, 2021.
- To date, **4** Requests for Public Assistance (RPAs) have been received and **4** approved.
- The state has held applicant briefings.
- Applicants:
 - Buncombe County
 - City of Asheville
 - Town of Black Mountain
 - Town of Montreat

