

State and Federal Disaster Assistance for 2018 Alaska Earthquake Tops \$100 Million

ANCHORAGE, Alaska – **More than \$100 million** in State of Alaska and federal disaster assistance is helping fuel the recovery of residents and businesses that suffered damage from the Nov. 30 Alaska earthquake.

On January 31, 2019, a federal disaster declaration was approved for the Municipality of Anchorage, Matanuska-Susitna Borough and Kenai Peninsula Borough. More than 10,500 individuals and households in those jurisdictions have applied for assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

As of July 11, FEMA's Individuals and Households program has approved **more than \$21 million** to repair disaster-damaged homes and pay for temporary housing. Another **\$299,350** was approved under Other Needs Assistance, a FEMA program that provides funding for disaster-caused expenses and serious needs including medical, dental, transportation, and moving and storage expenses.

Additionally, the U.S. Small Business Administration has approved **\$78,266,800** in low-interest disaster loans to **1,884** homeowners, renters and businesses including:

- **more than \$70.3 million** for **1,772** homeowners and renters; and
- **more than \$7.89 million** for **112** businesses.



The state of Alaska's Individual Assistance program has provided \$1.2 million in disaster assistance to individuals and families affected by the earthquake. In the days and weeks immediately following the quake, the state provided emergency sheltering, hotel stays and rental assistance. More than 13,800 residents applied to the state for assistance. The final day to apply was Feb. 28, 2019. If you have questions about your existing application with the state, go to ready.alaska.gov or email mva.grants@alaska.gov.

While the FEMA application period has ended, if you have an application on file, you can still get questions answered, submit appeal letters and request extensions to submit documents. For help on how to submit an appeal or to update your contact information, call the disaster assistance helpline at **800-621-3362 (FEMA)**. TTY users may call **800-462-7585**. Hours are 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

For more information on Alaska's disaster recovery, visit ready.alaska.gov/earthquake, FEMA.gov/disaster/4413, <https://twitter.com/FEMARegion10> and Facebook.com/FEMA, [Alaska Earthquake](https://Facebook.com/readyalaska) or on Facebook: www.facebook.com/readyalaska.

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FEMA's mission is helping people before, during, and after disasters.

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has faced discrimination, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (FEMA), voice/VP/711. Multilingual operators are available. TTY users may call 800-462-7585.



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The U.S. Small Business Administration is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged private property. SBA helps businesses of all sizes, private nonprofit organizations, homeowners and renters fund repairs or rebuilding efforts and cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged personal property. For more information, applicants may contact SBA's Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955. TTY users may also call 800-877-8339. Applicants may also email DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov or visit SBA at www.SBA.gov/disaster.



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