

Ladies and gentlemen,

We're trying to reach our Cumberland County community of private nonprofit (PNP) organizations who provide "critical" or "non-critical but essential" community services to the general public as defined in the reference below. I'm sending this widely - please forward and help me reach our partner agencies - time is limited.

If you are an eligible private nonprofit with facilities that provide critical or essential services to the general public, the Public Assistance Program may be available to reimburse repairs following the storms from January 10-13, 2024.

*****THE DEADLINE TO REQUEST PUBLIC ASSISTANCE UNDER DR-4764-ME IS APRIL 19, 2024*****

Last week, March 20, 2024, President Biden approved the Major Disaster Declaration for storms that occurred January 10-13, 2024. The Public Assistance Program is available to eligible private nonprofit organizations to reimburse a portion of repairs to damages that occurred during those storms. From the reference below, eligible organizations are either 1) those granted tax exempt status under 501c/d/e with the IRS or 2) are a non-revenue producing, nonprofit entity under State law. Eligible facilities provide a critical service (such as education, utility, emergency, or medical) or noncritical but essential social services (such as community centers, houses of worship, shelters) to the general public. Example lists of those categories and required documentation are in the reference below.

If you are an eligible private nonprofit and your facilities were damaged during the January 10-13 storms, please access the recorded applicant briefing from March 27, 2024 for the major disaster declaration DR-4764-ME. Instructions to register with the FEMA Grants Portal and officially "Request Public Assistance", or RPA, are in this recording. The applicant briefing for DR-4764-ME will be published at the following link, and the previous briefing from the December storms (DR-4574-ME) can provide an overview in the interim: <https://www.maine.gov/mema/grants/public-assistance-grant-program>

For questions regarding eligibility, please see pages 42-48 "Applicant Eligibility" of the Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide (dated June 1, 2020) located at the following link: https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_pappg-v4-updated-links_policy_6-1-2020.pdf

If we can assist, please reach out to our office at (207) 892-6785 or email us at CCEMA@cumberlandcounty.org.

Thank you for your time,
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