

## **Gov. Reynolds issues Disaster Emergency Proclamation for six counties impacted by recent severe weather**

The grant application is available on the New Opportunities, Inc. website [www.newopp.org](http://www.newopp.org). Application deadline is August 5, 2024. Contact your local New Opportunities Carroll County Outreach Center with questions, 712-792-9266.

DES MOINES – Today, Gov. Kim Reynolds issued a [disaster emergency proclamation](#) for six counties in response to severe weather that occurred on June 12. The governor's proclamation activates the Iowa Individual Assistance Grant Program and Disaster Case Advocacy Program for the following counties: Carroll, Clay, Dickinson, Emmet, Harrison, O'Brien.

The Iowa Individual Assistance Grant Program provides grants of up to \$5,000 for households with incomes up to 200 percent of the federal poverty level. Grants are available for home or car repairs, replacement of clothing or food, and temporary housing expenses. Original receipts are required for those seeking reimbursement for actual expenses related to storm recovery. The grant application and instructions are available on the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management website <https://homelandsecurity.iowa.gov/assistance>. Potential applicants have 45 days from the date of the proclamation to submit a claim.

The Disaster Case Advocacy Program addresses serious needs related to disaster-related hardship, injury, or adverse conditions. Disaster case advocates work with clients to create a disaster recovery plan and provide guidance, advice, and referrals to obtain a service or resource. There are no income eligibility requirements for this program; it closes 180 days from the date of the governor's proclamation. For information on the Disaster Case Advocacy Program, contact your local community action agency or visit [iowacommunityaction.org](http://iowacommunityaction.org).