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**The aftermath of Hurricane Ida had a devastating impact on Westchester County. During these challenging times, we want to connect you to resources to help businesses, nonprofits and residents rebuild and recover.**

Please note that following The Major Disaster Declaration made by President Biden, Westchester County is actively working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to set up Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) where people can file claims for assistance.

We will share information on additional resources as they become available.

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### **Help for Businesses**

Businesses who were impacted by Ida may qualify for low-interest disaster loans through the U.S. Small Business Administration. You can call 1-800-659-2955 (TTY/TDD: 1-800-877-8339) with any questions. [For more information and to apply click here.](#) More information on the loans is also outlined in this [Disaster Loan Fact Sheet.](#)

The SBA will also be establishing an in-person Business Recovery Center (BRC) to provide support to business owners in need of SBA Disaster Loan Assistance. Once the location of the BRC is confirmed, we will share that information via email and on our social media channels.

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### **Help for Nonprofits**

The United Way of Westchester and Putnam is currently accepting grant proposals from nonprofits. The organization will be awarding grants between \$2,500 and \$5,000 to support:

- local nonprofits providing emergency relief to underprivileged, marginalized or ALICE (those who are employed but are living paycheck-to-paycheck) populations that have been impacted or displaced by the flooding caused by the remnants of Hurricane Ida in Westchester County, or

- local nonprofits that have themselves been impacted by the flooding caused by the remnants of Hurricane Ida in Westchester County.

The grant application is online at <https://www.uwwp.org/flooding-response-grant/>. The proposal submission deadline is 4 p.m. on Oct. 1.

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## Help for Residents

It is important to document all damage in writing, take photos and compile any supporting documentation. If you have insurance, filing a claim with your insurance company is the first step towards seeking financial assistance.

Homeowners who have experienced significant damage can also apply for assistance through FEMA. [Apply here](#). Please note that FEMA will not duplicate insurance payments.

Assistance for qualifying individuals is available through FEMA as well. Learn more about assistance for individuals [here](#).

If you have questions for FEMA, you can call the FEMA Helpline at 1-800-621-3362. TTY users can call 1-800-462-7585. The Helpline is open daily from 7 AM – 1 AM.

Residents can also call the NY State Disaster and Flood Resource Center at 1-800-339-1759 with any questions or [visit their website](#) for more information.