



BACKGROUNDER: Emergency Disaster Assistance Advance Program

The Emergency Disaster Assistance Advance Program (EDAAP) allows for immediate payments to community governments, residents and small businesses to help them respond to the state of emergency situation declared in their community as a result of recent flooding in the territory. The EDAAP increases the effectiveness and timeliness of assistance to crisis-affected people.

Who is Eligible?

Any of the following who will eventually be submitting a claim for assistance through the regular Disaster Assistance Policy:

- NWT residents;
- Small Businesses; and
- Community Governments

Funding

If you experienced home or business property damage due to the 2021 flooding in the NWT, advance funding is available to provide immediate assistance to you to replace essential personal property, take immediate action to mitigate damage to personal property or ensure the safety of property.

Maximum funding available is as follows:

- Residential Property – 50% of the Preliminary Assessment up to a maximum of \$10,000;
- Small business (defined as having annual revenue of less than \$2 million) - 50% of the Preliminary Assessment up to a maximum of \$10,000; and
- Community Governments– 50% of the Preliminary Assessment up to a maximum of \$100,000.

Funding applications must be made by July 31, 2021. Funding must be spent on eligible expenses by October 31, 2021.



Reporting and Repayment

Residents, small businesses and community governments must provide a summary of expenses along with receipts or other proof of payment by December 31, 2021.

If EDAAP funding is not supported by receipts, it must be repaid to the Government of the Northwest Territories. In addition, any funding that residents, small businesses or community governments may receive under the Disaster Assistance Policy will be reduced by the EDAAP amount if no reporting is received.

Funding provided under the EDAAP will be deducted from final eligible claims made under the Disaster Assistance Policy.

How do I apply?

Complete an application.

- Applications for advances can be made to the Department of Municipal and Community Affairs Regional Superintendents or Government Service Officers.
- Applicants must produce a valid piece of NWT identification that confirms their residence in an eligible community.

For more information and to get a copy of the application please visit the [MACA website](#).