

Buncombe County at a Glance

Since the federal disaster declaration for Tropical Storm Fred, Buncombe County residents have received more than **\$2.9** million in federal funds as of Nov. 8, 2021:

- **\$591,868** in FEMA grants to homeowners and renters.
- **\$1,667,217** in claims paid to National Flood Insurance Program policyholders.
- **\$646,600** in U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) low-interest disaster loans approved for homeowners, renters and businesses (as of Oct. 31, 2021).

Individual Assistance in Buncombe County:

- **198** homeowners and renters have been approved for **\$591,868** in federal grants through FEMA's Individuals and Households Program. This includes:
 - **\$544,193** in Housing Assistance grants for home repair, home replacement, and/or rental assistance.
 - **\$47,675** in Other Needs Assistance grants to replace essential household items and for other critical disaster-related costs.
- **62** homeowners and renters have been approved for rental assistance.
- **699** home inspections issued; **680** completed.
- **Disaster Survivor Assistance Teams (DSAT)** went door to door in Buncombe County, conducting outreach to **710** households to offer help with registration and provide referrals to other resources.
- **A Document Drop-off Center** operated until Oct. 2 to help survivors with registration, application updates and referrals.
- **IA Assistance in Asheville:**
 - **47** homeowners and renters have been approved for **\$214,554** in federal grants through FEMA's Individuals and Households Program. This includes:
 - **\$200,529** in Housing Assistance grants for home repair, home replacement, and/or rental assistance.
 - **\$14,025** in Other Needs Assistance grants to replace essential household items and for other critical disaster-related costs.
 - **22** homeowners and renters have been approved for rental assistance.
- **IA Assistance in Candler:**
 - **69** homeowners and renters have been approved for **\$213,612** in federal grants through FEMA's Individuals and Households Program. This includes:
 - **\$188,072** in Housing Assistance grants for home repair, home replacement, and/or rental assistance.
 - **\$25,540** in Other Needs Assistance grants to replace essential household items and for other critical disaster-related costs.
 - **24** homeowners and renters have been approved for rental assistance.



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U.S. Small Business Administration:

- SBA operated a Business Recovery Center at Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, 1465 Sand Hill Rd., Suite 1054, Candler, NC 28715 through Nov. 8. SBA has approved **\$646,600** in low-interest disaster loans to 22 applicants (as of Oct. 31, 2021).

National Flood Insurance Program:

- NFIP has paid **\$1,667,217** to policyholders who filed claims.

Public Assistance:

- Buncombe County was approved for assistance for debris removal, emergency protective measures and permanent work Sept. 8, 2021.
 - To date, **6** Requests for Public Assistance (RPAs) have been received and **4** approved. One pending FEMA review. 1 pending Recipient review
 - The state has held applicant briefings.

Applicants:

- Buncombe County
- City of Asheville
- Town of Black Mountain
- Town of Montreat
- First Step Farm of WNC Inc
- Daniel Boone Council, Boy Scouts of America