



South Dakota Office of Emergency Management Public Assistance

Towns and Townships Impact in disasters

- T&Ts accounted for about 70% of all applicants for disasters declared in the state.
- Over half of all projects written for disasters are for T&Ts.
- T&Ts payments so far in 2024: \$2,026,536.99

Public Assistance – To Do

- Many T&Ts have not updated their contact information in Grants Portal for several years.
 - Logging in to Grants Portal at least once a year to update personnel and address information can save you time when you need to submit an RPA for future disasters.
- The biggest issue we have seen is that T&Ts do not have their UEI numbers entered in Grants Portal. (or do not have a UEI)
 - You need to go to Sam.gov to get this. Instructions on how to do this can be found on our website.
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/collections/d136472d9d0041a9a5a34293c09995a9?item=2>

Public Assistance – Looking Ahead

- Preliminary Damage Assessments (PDAs) will only be submitted to the State using Crisis Track software.
- Individual County EMs will decide how they want T&Ts to submit their damage information during PDAs.
 - T&Ts may be given the option to set up user accounts in Crisis Track and report damages through their account or the EM may choose to collect for you.
 - Damages submitted through Crisis Track can be used to fill out your damage inventory in Grants Portal.

Public Assistance – Looking Ahead

- Crisis Track can be accessed on your computer or mobile device; on-line or using the Crisis Track app.
- Trainings for Crisis Track will be held throughout the State in 2024 and 2025.
 - Contact your local Emergency Managers and get them to set up trainings that you can attend.
- SD OEM will have information about Crisis Track posted on the DPS website for anyone who would like to learn more about the software.

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Public Assistance – Looking Ahead

- New thresholds are in effect for any disasters declared after 10/1/2024.
 - Minimum project threshold is now \$4,000
 - Large project threshold is now \$1,062,900
 - Per capita indicator for Counties is \$4.72
 - The Statewide disaster threshold is now \$1,675,800.63 (\$1.89 per capita).3
 - DPS website to learn more:
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/collections/d136472d9d0041a9a5a34293c09995a9?item=1>

Management Costs

- Make sure to start keeping track of your time from the onset.
 - Preliminary Damage Assessment
 - Equipment and Employee time
 - Materials
- Have employee rate in minutes or policy. Make sure that your minutes do not mention if FEMA declares a disaster. (This will be deemed ineligible)

Any Questions?



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- Call **(605) 773-3231** with any questions!