

## Storms and Floods 2021

Successful recovery recognises, supports, and builds on individual, community and organisational capacity and resilience.

Disaster assistance packages and measures to **help the Central Coast community** in its storm and flood-recovery.



## **Disaster Assistance**

The **Disaster Relief Grant** helps people recover from a disaster and restore a basic standard of living.

You may be eligible for financial support if:

- your home (primary place of residence) was damaged by a natural disaster
- you do not have insurance for the damage
- you are a low-income earner with limited financial resources
- it has been less than four (4) months since the disaster

Phone 13 77 88 and ask about the "Disaster Relief Grant" administered by Resilience NSW.

The **Disaster Recovery Payment** is a one-off, non-means tested payment from the Australian Government. It offers \$1,000 for adults and \$400 for children. You may be eligible if:

- you have been seriously injured
- have lost or had your home damaged

Phone 13 77 88 or visit www.service.nsw.gov.au

The **Disaster Recovery Allowance** provides short-term income support payment from the Australian Government to assist individuals whose income has been affected as a direct result of the storms and floods, for up to 13 weeks.

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## Clean Up

- To clear excess flood impacted bulk household waste and debris from your property, book a standard bulk kerbside collection. Phone Central Coast Council on 1300 126 278 to book or via www.1coast.com.au.
- Waste can also be taken directly to the Council's waste management facilities. Reduced fees apply.
   Visit Buttonderry Waste Management Facility – 850 Hue Hue Road, Jilliby; or Woy Woy Waste
   Management Facility – Nagari Road, Woy Woy.

**CENTRAL COAST COUNCIL** 

Your community is eligible for NSW and Australian Government assistance



Central Coast Council
 1300 463 954 or visit
 www.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au

All information correct as at 15 April 2021





SUPPORT PROVIDER	SUPPORT OFFERED	CONTACTS
Central Coast Council	<ul> <li>Storm affected areas waste clean-up queries</li> <li>To report road closures, fallen trees on roads or landslips</li> <li>Water and sewer issues</li> </ul>	Central Coast Council Phone 1300 463 954 or visit www.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au
Recovery Centres	Face-to-face support from representatives from across an array of NSW Government agencies, community organisations, welfare bodies and local recovery services.  This centre is being run in partnership with Hawkesbury City Council and The Hills Shire Council. For up-to-date opening	Wisemans Ferry Recovery Centre, The Retreat at Wisemans Ferry, 5564 Old Northern Road, open weekdays, 10am-4pm and Saturdays 10am-2pm. Sunday closed.
	hours visit <u>hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au.</u>	
Service NSW	Service NSW is supporting flood-impacted people with information on and access to assistance and supports across an array of NSW Government partner agencies, local government and the Australian Government.	NSW Government Disaster Customer Care Service Phone 13 77 88 or visit www.service.nsw.gov.au
NSW Government Clean Up Program	All flooded households and businesses will receive clean-up assistance, for free, and regardless of insurance status.	For more information call 1300 126 278
Waste Levy Fee waived	Dispose of building materials, furniture and other flood generated waste on private and public land up to 30 June.	Environmental Protection Agency Visit <u>www.epa.nsw.gov.au</u>
Small Business Disaster Recovery Grant	Up to \$50,000 to help cover flood-related business costs such as repair and replacement of stock	Phone Service NSW on 13 77 88 or apply online at www.service.nsw.gov.au
Primary producer Disaster Recovery Grant	Up to \$75,000 to help primary producers cover flood-related costs including repairs, removing flood debris and replacing stock or to salvage crops.	Apply direct online via the Rural Assistance Authority at <a href="https://www.raa.nsw.gov.au/disaster-assistance/special-disaster-grants-floods">www.raa.nsw.gov.au/disaster-grants-floods</a>
Small Business Commissioner	Concessional loans of up to \$130,000 at a fixed concessional interest rate may be available to small businesses, primary producers and non-profits.	For information on what supports are available visit <a href="https://www.smallbusiness.nsw.gov.au">www.smallbusiness.nsw.gov.au</a> or phone 1300 795 534.
SME Recovery Loan Scheme	The Australian Government's SME Recovery Loan Scheme is available to flood-affected businesses. The SME Recovery Loan Scheme helped businesses on JobKeeper and has been extended to flood-affected businesses.	NSW Government Disaster Customer Care Service Phone 13 77 88 or visit www.service.nsw.gov.au
Insurance Council of Australia	If you are a policyholder and need to make an insurance claims, you can expect to be given priority by insurers.	For advice and guidance phone the Insurance Council of Australia on 1800 734 621.
Replace lost documents	The NSW Registry of Births Deaths and Marriages can assist with the replacement of Birth, Death and Change of Name certificates at no cost for NZ and Australian citizens.	Phone Service NSW on 13 77 88 or visit www.nsw.gov.au/births-deaths-marriages
Legal Aid NSW	For help with legal problems including insurance claims and disputes, financial hardship, tenancy and Centrelink.	Visit the Disaster Response Legal Service at www.disasterhelp.legalaid.nsw.gov.au or phone 1800 801 529.
Australian Red Cross Flood Grant	A \$1000 payment per household that was destroyed or made uninhabitable by the floods.	Apply at www.redcross.org.au/floodgrants or phone 1800 733 276
NSW Mental Health Line	If you or someone you know needs help, the Mental Health Line offers professional help and advice, and referrals to local mental health services.	NSW Mental Health Line Phone 1800 011 511 at any time, any day