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Governor Branstad issues disaster proclamation for three counties

DES MOINES--Governor Terry E. Branstad today issued a proclamation of disaster emergency for additional counties in response to recent storms and flooding.

The Governor's proclamation of disaster allows state resources to be utilized in Linn County and also activates the Iowa Individual Assistance Program for Black Hawk, Delaware and Linn counties.

State resources may be used to respond to and recover from the effects of these storms. These resources could be used for removal of debris and wreckage on publicly- or privately-owned land that may threaten public health and safety.

The Iowa Individual Assistance Program provides grants up to \$5,000 for households with incomes up to 200 percent of the [federal poverty level](#), or a maximum annual income of \$39,060, for a family of three.

Grants are available for home or car repairs, replacement of clothing or food, and for the expense of temporary housing. Original receipts are required for those seeking reimbursement for actual expenses related to storm recovery. The grant application and instructions are available at the "Disaster Assistance" link on the Iowa Department of Human Services website: www.dhs.iowa.gov. Applications must be received within 45 days of the date of proclamation.

The Governor had previously issued proclamations of disaster emergency for state resources in the aftermath of the recent storms and flooding for the following counties: Benton, Buena Vista, Butler, Cherokee, Floyd, Grundy, Ida, Iowa, Jasper, Johnson, Louisa, Lyon, Mahaska, Marshall, Mitchell, Plymouth, Poweshiek, Sioux, Tama, Wapello and Wright.

The Iowa Individual Assistance Program was also activated for the following counties: Buena Vista, Butler, Cherokee, Floyd, Grundy, Iowa, Jasper, Johnson, Marshall, Mitchell, Plymouth, Poweshiek, Sioux, Tama, Wapello and Wright.

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