

**605—11.4(29C) Eligibility criteria.** To be eligible for assistance, an applicant household must meet all of the following conditions:

**11.4(1)** The household's bona fide residence was located in the area identified in the disaster proclamation during the designated incident period, and the household verifies occupancy at that residence. If a vehicle was damaged, the vehicle must have been located in the same county as the bona fide residence.

**11.4(2)** Household members are citizens of the United States or are legally residing in the United States.

**11.4(3)** The household's annual income is at or less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level for a household of that size.

*a.* Poverty guidelines are updated annually.

*b.* All income available to the household is counted, including wages, child support, interest from investments or bank accounts, social security benefits, and retirement income. Proof of income is required.

*c.* Income determination is based on the applicant's or applicants' adjusted gross income as defined in 26 U.S.C. §62 as amended to March 25, 2026.

**11.4(4)** The household has unmet disaster-related expenses or serious needs that are not covered by insurance. The applicant must provide claim documentation from the insurance company.

**11.4(5)** The household has not previously received assistance from this program or another program for the same loss in the same disaster.

**11.4(6)** Household eligibility for home repair assistance for a dwelling or dwelling unit damaged due to a proclaimed disaster is only available for a household that owns and occupies the dwelling or dwelling unit being repaired.

*a.* Assistance will be denied if preexisting conditions are the cause of the damage.

*b.* Repairs to rental dwellings, dwelling units, or landlord-owned equipment are excluded under this program.

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