

Woodstock (VT) Area Flood Relief Fund

Serving Barnard, Bridgewater, Killington, Pomfret, Reading and Woodstock

Phase 2 Grant Application

Submission deadline for requests is Tuesday, November 1st, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES:

The Woodstock Area Flood Relief Fund is intended to provide basic assistance to those who suffered hardship and loss caused by Hurricane Irene, cover essential costs and to help individuals get back on their feet as soon as possible. It is not intended to replace insurance policies or to be a blanket program to assist residents for all damages and losses. In Phase 2, the fund is designed to contribute to the difference (gap) between money you have received from FEMA, insurance, and other sources, and your remaining needs.

* Requests for assistance up to \$1,000 may be submitted on the Woodstock Relief Fund Small Grants Application. Contact the Sustainable Woodstock office for that one page application.

The following is a general list of eligible and ineligible items:

Primary Residence

Eligible Individuals	Ineligible Individuals
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Homeowner- Resident or tenant, for personal property only- Income sensitive, as defined by the State of Vermont	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Owner of a second home- Renter of a second home
Examples of Eligible Costs	Examples of Ineligible Costs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Restoration, repair or replacement to pre-Irene condition of primary residence and driveways- Clean up of property for safety reasons or to provide access to primary residence- Emergency living costs- Essential furnishings and appliances- Heat and utilities- Tools or other items essential to the claimant's circumstances	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Loss of income, loss of opportunity, or inconvenience- Insurance deductibles- Non-essential furnishings and appliances- Luxury items- Personal injury- Fences- Landscaping- Personal vehicles

The Woodstock VT Area Flood Relief Fund is a group of volunteers working under the auspices of Sustainable Woodstock, a non-profit community action group.

When filling out the application please note that:

1. “Members of the household” include all occupants such as:
 - Adult children who live with you
 - Roommates
 - Other income earning adults
2. “Total annual household income” from all household members includes, but is not limited to:
 - Alimony
 - Child Support
 - Disability income
 - Distributions from Estates/Trusts
 - Other income
3. Under “description of need” we ask for copies of relevant reports or estimates to help us understand the extent of your need. Please attach documentation that provides the review committee with an estimated cost of the work. Grants cannot be made directly to homeowners; assistance will only be made in payments to vendors or businesses.

Some resources for determining need are:

- FEMA - The starting point for anyone who has suffered loss should be the Federal Emergency Management Agency or FEMA (<http://www.fema.gov/assistance/process/assistance.shtm> or call 800-621-3362).
- Efficiency Vermont has several flood specific initiatives to help homeowners and small businesses recover. (Go to http://www.efficiencyvermont.com/about_us/efficiency_vermont_news/irene_recovery.aspx or call 888-921-5990).
- The Small Business Administration (SBA), in its disaster relief role, provides low interest disaster loans to homeowners and renters as well as businesses of all sizes. (See: <http://www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants/small-business-loans/disaster-loans> or call them at 800-490-2498.)

The processing of applications and other relief and assistance activities shall be accomplished in a fair and impartial manner, without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age or economic status.

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Applicant's Name:	
Address where the damage occurred:	
Mailing address (if different):	
Telephone Home: Business: Mobile:	
Email:	Alternative contact:
<input type="checkbox"/> Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Renter	
Name and year of birth of each household member:	
Total annual household income, including wages and all other sources:	Are you currently employed? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
Total liquid assets including checking, savings, CDs, marketable securities:	Total retirement funds including 401k and IRAs:

Did you file a 2010 Vermont income tax last year? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
Name and telephone of employer(s) of all household members:
If you are a homeowner and have a mortgage, have you spoken with your banker about a mortgage payment deferral? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no

Address Verification
To confirm your identity and address, you need to provide a copy of a valid:
Vermont Driver's license or other photo ID: AND One proof of residency, which MUST contain the address you are claiming for assistance: Acceptable document include: Utility bill Credit card statement Signed and dated lease agreement

Grant Application Continued

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING DECLARATION CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

I DECLARE/UNDERSTAND:

- 1.) That all of the information provided in the application is true and I understand that the information supplied may be subject to audit.
- 2.) That records will be maintained for a period of seven years from the date of this application.
- 3.) That all costs herein will not be claimed under any insurance or other assistance program.
- 4.) That if any part of this claim is found to be false, the Relief Fund reserves the right to demand immediate repayment from the recipient, and may avail itself of any legal remedies which it deems appropriate to recover repayment of the funds from the recipient.
- 5.) This Grant Application is subject to review, assessment, approval, and fund availability.
- 6.) That additional supporting documents may be required.
- 7.) That I give the Woodstock VT Flood Relief Fund committee permission to verify all information provided herein.

Dated: _____

Signature: _____

Applications will be reviewed within a reasonable timeframe after receipt. **Submission deadline for requests is Tuesday, November 1st, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.** Applications received after that date will be considered if funds are available.



For more information, or questions, please call 802-457-2911 or email spm@sustainablewoodstock.com

Return form to Sustainable Woodstock, P.O. Box 611, Woodstock, VT 05091
or Sustainable Woodstock's office at 32 Pleasant St., Woodstock VT 05091

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