



## 2025 Texas Floods Long-Term Recovery Grant Program

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### Long-Term Recovery Grant Program: 2025 Texas Floods

April 8, 2026

#### OVERVIEW

In response to the July 2025 Central Texas Floods, the American Red Cross launched the 2025 Texas Floods long-term recovery operation across the impacted communities.

Recovery activities are focused on communities in 22 affected counties: Burnet, Coke, Concho, Edwards, Hamilton, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Lampasas, Llano, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Real, Reeves, San Saba, Schleicher, Sutton, Tom Green, Travis, Uvalde, and Williamson. The Red Cross recovery strategy includes grant programming to support projects focused on meeting the needs of individuals, households, and communities.

On April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2026, the Red Cross will issue a Request for Grant Proposals to provide funding for organizations active in recovery in support of projects addressing disaster-caused needs related to the Texas floods. This grant program will allocate approximately \$3.8 million in total funding across an estimated 10 grants to support projects focused on the following areas of need:

- 1) Housing Stability:** Bringing flood-impacted homes to safe, habitable and sustainable standards for communities with the fewest recovery resources.
  - Supported projects may include programs for: home repairs and rebuilds; displaced residents; stabilizing legacy communities; transitional housing needs; nontraditional housing alternatives.
  - We are not currently considering funding projects for repairs to rental homes.
- 2) Mental Health and Wellness:** Projects addressing the effects of disaster-caused trauma on individuals and communities.
  - Supported projects may include programs for: trauma-informed youth and family programs; domestic violence prevention; individual and group counseling services.

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL DETAILS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS GRANT PROGRAM	
Pre-Application Open	Wednesday, April 8, 2026
Pre-Application Close	Wednesday, April 22, 2026
Invitations to Apply and Declinations Sent	Friday, May 1, 2026
Application Portal Open	Monday, May 4, 2026
Application Portal Close	Monday, May 11, 2026
Grant Awards Announced	Rolling announcements in June 2026
Grant Term Start Date	June 1, 2026, or after
Grant Term End Date	May 31, 2027, or before
Minimum Award Amount	\$100,000
Maximum Award Amount	\$750,000

*Funding requests below or above this range may be considered as an exception on an individual basis.*

## RFP APPLICATION PROCESS

<b>Registration – Red Cross Grant Management System (RC GMS)*</b>	<p>If the organization or individual has not used RC GMS before, they must register as a new organization and/or user. Registrations are reviewed and approved** before access is given to submit a Pre-Application.</p> <p>* How-to steps for navigating RC GMS: <a href="#">Tutorials</a>            **Registrations are reviewed within 2 business days of submission</p>
<b>Pre-Application</b>  ( <a href="#">Link</a> active beginning April 8)	A Pre-Application must be completed by all prospective applicants, to provide a brief overview of the project, high level budget information, and organizational information, including required documentation (listed in the Required Documents section below).
<b>Planning Meetings with Red Cross</b>	After submitting a Pre-Application, prospective applicants may be contacted by the Red Cross for a virtual meeting to discuss the project.
<b>Invitation to Apply or Declination</b>	Selected projects will receive an Invitation to Apply with a link to the Application Portal. Those not selected will receive a notification of declination.
<b>Application</b>	Invited organizations will submit an application with full project information, timeline, and detailed budget.
<b>Review &amp; Due Diligence</b>	Applications will undergo review and due diligence.
<b>Grant Award or Declination</b>	Projects will receive a notification with next steps to complete a grant agreement to be signed by signatories for the grantee and Red Cross. Those not selected will receive a notification of declination.
<b>Implementation &amp; Monitoring</b>	Grant is active under the terms of the signed grant agreement.

## **ALLOWABLE EXPENDITURES**

Red Cross Long-Term Recovery Grant Programs follow standard finance and funding practices regarding expenses that may be included in a grant application project budget, including:

- Applicants with project budgets that exceed the proposed grant budget must include a list of additional funding sources (confirmed and/or in process) to cover the balance of project expenses.
- Staff salaries or consultant fees may be included for those individuals necessary for the implementation or provision of grant-funded services.  
Salaries that are administrative in nature are not typically covered by grant funds.
- Indirect and/or “overhead” expenses may be up to three percent (3%) of the requested award amount for administrative costs (costs associated with running daily operations of the organization, but not limited to, administrative staff salaries, rent, utilities and office supplies).

## **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

Organizations which meet the following criteria are eligible to apply:

- Non-profit organizations with a minimum of three years as an IRS-approved 501(c)(3)
- Non-profit organizations with a minimum annual budget of \$250,000 are preferred.

**Note:** Every application undergoes a financial due diligence review to ensure that a grantee has the stability and capacity to responsibly manage the award and achieve the intended outcomes. Examples of factors evaluated in the financial review include number of years in operation, diversity of revenue sources, liquidity ratios (current and quick ratios), leverage ratio (debt to net assets), days of cash and investments, asset turnover ratios, grant amount request to annual revenue ratio (reflecting size of the company), return on revenue ratio.

Organizations that do not meet eligibility criteria, but address a critical community access or programmatic need, may be considered. These applications may need to be submitted by a fiscal sponsor.

Consideration will be given to organizations with established disaster recovery or unmet humanitarian needs programming, including organizations with 1) expertise in providing services to communities disproportionately impacted by disaster; 2) collaborative relationships with other local, regional, or national organizations active in disaster recovery; and/or 3) prior grants with the Red Cross Long-Term Recovery Grant Program.

## ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

When completing the Pre-Application, all applicants must fill out an organizational profile which requires the following documents:

- IRS 501(c)(3) Letter of Determination. (If using Fiscal Sponsor, the IRS letter and all supporting documentation must be that of the Fiscal Sponsor)
- IRS W9 Form
- List of the current calendar year's organizational board and leadership members
- Most recent two (2) years of audited financials (P&L and Balance Sheet) OR most recent two (2) years of 990s
- Current organizational fiscal year budget

## GRANT REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL AWARDED GRANTEES

All grantees will:

- Sign a Grant Agreement which includes terms for duration of project, award amount and budget, performance indicators, reporting schedule, legal and insurance coverage requirements.
- Submit monthly reports on project progress and outcomes as well as updates on financial expenditures and projections.
- Be required to have and maintain proper and current licensing for all personnel associated with grant activities and to conduct and maintain background checks on all personnel associated with grant activities for the duration of the Red Cross grant term for projects providing direct services to children.
- Coordinate with the Red Cross for approval on all public acknowledgement of Red Cross grants in line with guidelines outlined in the grant agreement.

## CODE OF CONDUCT

Through its mission, the American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. All programs and activities are guided by the Red Cross [Fundamental Principles](#) of Humanity, Impartiality, Neutrality, Independence, Voluntary Service, Unity, and Universality. These principles allow the Red Cross to help those in need, regardless of race, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, veteran status, or political affiliation.

Grantees are required to adhere to the following principles and ideas across all grant project activities:

1. **Non-Discrimination:** Grantees must provide impartial and equitable services to those in need, regardless of race, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, veteran status, or political affiliation.
2. **Code of Conduct:** Grantees' service delivery should reflect the principles outlined in the [Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and NGOs in Disaster Relief](#). This includes maintaining high standards of humanity, neutrality, and impartiality in all activities.

Grantees agree to uphold these principles and work collaboratively with the American Red Cross to achieve our shared humanitarian goals.

## **CONTACT**

2025 Texas Floods Long-Term Recovery Grant Program materials are also available online at: [RedCross.org/TXFloodGrants](https://RedCross.org/TXFloodGrants)

Submit 2025 Texas Floods Pre-applications through the [Red Cross Grants Management System \(RC GMS\) portal](#).

For questions, technical assistance, or language support, please contact [LTRgrants@redcross.org](mailto:LTRgrants@redcross.org).

## Frequently Asked Questions

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How to steps for navigating RC GMS: [Tutorials](#)

### Who is eligible to apply for grant funding?

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### How does the pre-application process work?

Prospective applicants register their organization and users in RC GMS and receive a confirmation email when their registrations are approved. Once registration is approved, applicants will complete and submit a Pre-Application. The Red Cross may contact submitted applicants to discuss the proposed project during the review process. When the Pre-Application period closes, selected projects will receive an Invitation to Apply with a link to the Application Portal. Those not selected to apply will receive a notification of declination by email.

### Once I submit my organization and username registration, how can I confirm that it has been received? When can I access my account?

After registering, prospective applicants will see a pop-up confirmation message: *“Thank you for submitting your organization information. You will receive an email from us within two business days.”* Applicants will then receive a system email within 48 hours confirming that the registration is approved and the account is active.

### What information is required for the Pre-Application?

A Pre-Application must be completed by all prospective applicants, to provide a brief overview of the project, high level budget information, and organizational profile information, including required documentation:

- IRS 501(c)(3) Letter of Determination. (If using Fiscal Sponsor, the IRS letter and all supporting documentation must be that of the Fiscal Sponsor)
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**If invited to apply, what will the application include?**

We ask that you provide a detailed description of your proposed project design, goals of the project, how your organization will engage and work with the community, your organization's relationship with the community the project seeks to support, a full project budget, timelines, resources, and other pertinent information.

**When will award decisions be announced?**

After the Long-Term Recovery team completes the review process for each application, grant decisions are announced by email to the applicant as they are awarded, declined, or put on hold. Award decisions may be expected in June 2026.