



# Individual and Small Business Assistance

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The Washington Emergency Management Division Human Services Program works with Federal, State, and Local partners to support disaster preparedness and recovery for Washington’s individuals, households, and businesses.

Programs include:

- **The Individual Assistance Program (IA):** IA is the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) program to support individual and business recovery and is authorized through a Presidential Major Disaster Declaration. The IA program has multiple components including cash assistance and crisis counseling, a detailed declaration process and benefits that vary depending on several factors.
- **The Small Business Administration (SBA) Disaster Loan Program:** SBA disaster loans are available even without a Presidential Disaster Declaration and are a great tool to provide low-interest loans to individuals, families, businesses and organizations that suffer physical or economic loss due to a disaster or other disruption.
- **Limited English Proficiency Program:** The LEP program supports language accessibility for individuals, families and businesses by working with state and local governments and community organizations to promote preparedness activities in communities around the state.
- **Disaster Resilience, Recovery and Restoration:** Disaster Recovery includes both pre-disaster recovery planning and post-disaster recovery to re-envision and restore a community. Technical assistance and information is available for local governments, special districts, and organizations.

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Access the Individual Damage Assessment (IDA) Excel form at: <https://bit.ly/hsdamage>

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