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This is a summary of support available. More information about these and other grants can be found at brv.vic.gov.au or by calling 1800 560 760.

Emergency Relief Assistance Payments

For: Emergency food, accommodation, clothing, medication, personal items.

Who can claim: People whose homes are lost or inaccessible, or who cannot afford their immediate needs. Further eligibility criteria apply.

Payment: Up to \$560 per adult and \$280 per child (up to a maximum of \$1960 per eligible household).

How to apply: Call the DHHS Emergency Relief Assistance Payment hotline on 1800 961 054 or visit emergency.vic.gov.au or brv.vic.gov.au.

Emergency Re-establishment Payments

For: Clean-up, alternative accommodation, repairs, rebuilding (a principal place of residence), and replacing damaged contents.

Who can claim: Individuals or families whose home is uninhabitable for more than seven days because of a disaster. Further eligibility criteria apply.

Payment: Up to \$42,250 per eligible household.

How to apply: Call the DHHS Emergency Relief Assistance Payment hotline on 1800 961 054 or visit emergency.vic.gov.au or brv.vic.gov.au.

Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment

Who can claim: You must be from Alpine, East Gippsland, Towong or Wodonga areas and have been seriously affected by bushfire, such as serious injury or loss of a home. Further eligibility criteria apply.

Payment: \$1,000 per adult and \$400 for each child younger than 16, plus an additional one-off payment of \$400 per child.

How to apply: Call 180 22 66, visit servicesaustralia.gov.au or go to brv.vic.gov.au for a direct link to the application page.

Disaster Recovery Allowance

Who can claim: People who have lost their income as a direct result of the bushfires. Further eligibility criteria apply.

Payment: The payment rate is based on your circumstances. You can receive up to 13 weeks cover.

How to apply: Call 180 22 66, visit servicesaustralia.gov.au or go to brv.vic.gov.au for a direct link to the application page.

Victorian Bushfire Appeal— Primary Residence

Who can claim: Residents in bushfire-affected areas whose primary residence is lost or damaged. Further eligibility criteria apply.

Payment: Funding from \$1,000 to \$4,500 will cover temporary accommodation costs, such as hotel bills.

How to access: Contact Bushfire Recovery Victoria on 1800 560 760 for further information.

Red Cross Immediate Assistance Grants

Who can claim: People whose primary place of residence was destroyed, people who have spent 2+ days in hospital with physical injuries or mental health issues and homeowners whose homes are damaged and unsafe.

Payment: Grants are available of up to \$5,000, \$7,500 and \$20,000 each.

How to apply: Visit redcross.org.au/grants or brv.vic.gov.au.

State Schools' Relief and Bushfire Hardship Grants

For: To help families cover the costs for school items.

Who can claim: Families from bushfire-affected areas who require assistance purchasing school items. Available to government and non-government schools. Discuss eligibility and payment with your school.

How to apply: Schools have been asked to notify families of the bushfire relief package and invite families who consider they have been impacted to request a support package. Visit education.vic.gov.au or brv.vic.gov.au for more information.

Emergency Bushfire Response in Primary Industries Grants

For: To cover costs of rebuilding primary production enterprises including disposing of dead stock, repairing or replacing fencing, rebuilding or replacing damaged on-farm infrastructure, and more.

Who can claim: Primary producers, including apiarists, directly affected by the bushfires. Further eligibility criteria apply.

Payment: Up to \$75,000 per farm business.

How to apply: Visit ruralfinance.com.au or go to brv.vic.gov.au for a direct link to the application page.

Emergency Transport Support Program for Primary Producers

For: To pay for emergency transport costs that directly address immediate animal welfare and safety needs.

Who can claim: Primary producers, including apiarists, directly affected by the bushfires. Further eligibility criteria apply.

Payment: Up to \$15,000 (excluding GST) per farm business.

How to apply: Visit ruralfinance.com.au or go to brv.vic.gov.au for a direct link to the application page.

Farm Household Allowance Program (FHA)

For: Support for farming families experiencing financial hardship.

Who can claim: Farming households experiencing financial hardship. Further eligibility criteria apply.

Payments: Various financial support programs and services are available. Payments depend on individual circumstances.

How to apply: Visit business.gov.au/grants-and-programs or go to brv.vic.gov.au for a direct link to the application page.

Small Business Bushfire Recovery Grants Victoria

For: Clean-up and reinstatement of small businesses and not-for-profits.

Who can claim: Victorian small businesses (1-19 employees) and not-for-profits that have sustained damage as a result of the bushfires. Further eligibility criteria apply. Farm businesses are not eligible under this program.

Payment: Up to \$50,000 in grants (concessional loans also available)

How to apply: Visit business.vic.gov.au or go to brv.vic.gov.au for a direct link to the application.

Concessional loans of up to \$500,000 will also be offered for businesses that have suffered significant asset or revenue loss.



For more information about bushfire recovery, including grants, personal counselling, clean-up, fencing, and getting involved in your local community's recovery, please visit brv.vic.gov.au or call 1800 560 760.



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