



This supplementary sheet is for people affected by the 2021 Victorian storms and floods.

You should read this sheet with the Disaster Recovery Payment and Allowance guide.

Disaster Recovery Payment

Am I eligible?

For the 2021 Victorian storms and floods you may be eligible for Disaster Recovery Payment if you lived in one of the following Local Government Areas:

- Baw Baw
- Cardinia
- Hepburn
- Latrobe
- Moorabool
- Mornington Peninsula
- South Gippsland
- Wellington
- Yarra Ranges

Centrelink may consider you 'adversely affected' if at least one of the following applies to you:

- You were seriously injured as a direct result of the storms and floods
- An immediate family member was killed in the storms and floods
- Your home was destroyed or suffered major damage in the storms and floods
- A major asset was destroyed or suffered major damage in the storms and floods
- Any of the above applies to a child in your care

Can I claim Disaster Recovery Payment?

You can apply for Disaster Recovery Payment until 31 December 2021. You can claim by calling the Centrelink Disaster Assist line on 180 22 66 or by filling in an application form. You may wish to seek advice about your circumstances first.

Disaster Recovery Allowance

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No specific industries were identified by the Minister for the 2021 Victorian storms and floods. This means the kind of work you do does not affect your eligibility for Disaster Recovery Allowance for this disaster. If your loss of income is a direct result of the storms and floods you may be eligible.

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Contact Social Security Rights Victoria

Advice Line: 03 9481 0355
Monday to Thursday 9:30 am –12:30 pm
ssrv.org.au

More information

www.disasterlegalhelp.org.au
www.disasterassist.gov.au

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This guide is not legal advice and you may wish to seek advice about your individual circumstances. Social Security Rights Victoria is an independent, state-wide community legal centre that specialises in social security and related law, policy and procedure. We provide free legal advice and information about the social security system.

Eligibility requirements for payments change from time to time. You should check the Services Australia website or seek advice from Social Security Rights Victoria or another legal service about your circumstances.