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SEOC Update: 2025 October West Coast Storm – Disaster Update

JOINT BASE ELMENDORF RICHARDSON, Alaska — The disaster recovery operation continues to draw down and demobilize, as winter weather has begun to prevent safe air travel and working conditions in the impacted communities. Recovery operations will begin increasing again as weather is more favorable for outdoor work in the springtime. With weather delays occurring, state and FEMA Individual Assistance (IA) teams continue to travel to those impacted communities, to meet with residents, provide assistance with IA applications, and perform damage assessments.

Impacted residents are continuing to submit State and FEMA IA applications. As of Dec. 3, 1,875 state and 1,561 FEMA applications for IA have been received. The Disaster Assistance Centers (DACs) located in Anchorage, Bethel, and Kotzebue have closed. An additional IA team travelled to Fairbanks to support the impacted residents who have relocated to the Fairbanks area.

The deadline to apply for financial assistance with the American Red Cross is December 19, 2025. A total of 601 survivors or households have registered. To apply for Red Cross Financial Assistance, call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

There are currently 660 individuals, from 176 households, in non-congregate sheltering (NCS) in Anchorage. To date, more than 32,000 meals have been prepared and delivered to those in NCS. Plans for short-term temporary housing are being finalized, with the goal to transition out of non-congregate housing as soon as possible.

The state is continuing to receive assistance with staffing from other states through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC). Currently, there are 14 people from seven states that are deployed to Alaska in response to the declared disaster.

Fairbanks Area IA Visit

State and FEMA staff travelled to Fairbanks Dec. 1 – 3 to assist survivors impacted by Alaska's October West Coast Storms. This outreach was targeted to survivors who were displaced from villages, offering them the opportunity to meet directly with state and FEMA representatives to register for assistance, ask questions, or meet with a FEMA inspector.

USPS Mail Delivery

The Post Offices in Kipnuk and Kwigillingok remain closed. Mail delivery for Kipnuk and Kwigillingok will be cooped at Midtown Station, located at 3721 B Street in Anchorage. Mail forwarding is active, and some residents have submitted change-of-address requests.

Alaska SNAP Update

The Division of Public Assistance (DPA) has been granted a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) “hot foods waiver”. The waiver allows individuals and families receiving SNAP benefits to use their Quest (EBT) Card to buy pre-cooked foods, such as rotisserie chicken, soup, or hot deli meals from SNAP-authorized grocery and convenience stores statewide.

All other SNAP rules remain the same. This waiver is in place through December 20th but may be extended if necessary. For more information on SNAP, go to the [Alaska DPA website](#).

Donations collection warehouse closed

The donations collection warehouse in Anchorage, provided by Chugach Electric Association at 1120 East 1st Avenue, has closed and is no longer accepting donations. Individuals desiring to make donations to benefit the impacted residents are encouraged to give financially through established relief organizations such as the [Alaska Community Foundation](#), [American Red Cross of Alaska](#), [Salvation Army](#), [Alaska Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster](#), and [Team Rubicon](#).

Individual Assistance Registration and Additional Information

- **State of Alaska Individual Assistance (IA)** – Deadline is January 8, 2026
 - To register for State of Alaska Individual Assistance:
 - Call 1-844-445-7131, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
 - Or apply online <https://ready.alaska.gov/Recovery/IA>
- **FEMA Individual Assistance (IA)** – Deadline is December 22, 2025
 - To register for FEMA Individual Assistance:
 - Call 1-866-342-1699, Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. & Saturday 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 - Yup’ik interpretation available on Tuesday and Thursday, 1 – 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
 - Or apply online at <https://disasterassistance.gov>
- **Small Business Administration (SBA)** – Deadline is December 22, 2025

SBA offers low interest, long-term disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses, and private nonprofits to repair and replace property destroyed by the storms. To register with SBA:

 - Call 1-800-659-2955, Monday – Friday, 6 a.m. – 4 p.m. AKST
 - Apply online at <https://sba.gov/disaster>
 - Visit the Disaster Loan Outreach Center, located at:

University of Alaska Anchorage
1901 Bragaw Street, Suite 199, Training Room
Anchorage, AK 99508
Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Alaska 211 can connect individuals with available local resources that best fit their needs. Call 2-1-1 or 1-800-478-2221. Email: alaska211@ak.org or visit www.Alaska211.org. Native Alaskan language interpretation services are available.

A list of resources related to the disaster is available at ready.alaska.gov, under Top News; and on Facebook at [Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management](#) and [2025 West Coast Storm Recovery](#). Survivors are also encouraged to visit Alaska Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (AK VOAD) for additional available resources <https://www.akvoad.org/>.

All donations, events, and services available for survivors of the 2025 October West Coast Storm should be directed to storm2025@ready.alaska.gov.

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