

Emergency Assistance Provided by The American Red Cross in the National Capital Region

Your American Red Cross responds to over 400 disasters each year in the National Capital Region. Our initial assistance is focused on meeting the immediate, disaster caused needs of those impacted and supporting them as they begin the road to recovery.

Initial Assistance provided by the American Red Cross may include any or all of the following:

- Temporary emergency shelter
- Financial assistance for food and clothing
- Basic toiletry kit
- Professional support and financial assistance from our Disaster Health Services team in obtaining replacements of life-sustaining medication and durable medical equipment lost due to disaster
- Support from our Disaster Mental Health Services team of qualified mental health professionals
- Recovery Information
- Referrals to and information from our network of community partners
- Assistance in accessing insurance and other services
- A calming, comforting presence

Please call your American Red Cross (1-877-292-1600) anytime any of the following occur:

- People are displaced from their home/apartment due to disaster including fires, flooding, etc
- There is a significant injury or death as a result of a disaster
- Residents are prevented from staying in or returning to their homes due to hazardous materials incident or law-enforcement situation

Red Cross assistance is available to those impacted by disasters regardless of the availability of insurance or citizenship status.