

Flood Information Resources for Iowa

Shelter

Red Cross: Locate Open Shelters: <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html>

Iowa Disaster Recovery Resources: <https://www.iowa.gov/disaster-recovery-resources>

Safety and Health

Arbor Family Counseling: Emotional Effects of Flooding

<https://www.arborfamilycounseling.com/2019/03/20/emotional-effects-of-flooding/>

CDC EPIC insider: After a Flood

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USCDC/bulletins/234095f>

Coping With Disasters: Health Information Guide (for professionals)

<https://disasterinfo.nlm.nih.gov/coping>

Coping With Disasters (for the public): <https://medlineplus.gov/copingwithdisasters.html> ; En Español: [Enfrentarse con desastres](#)

Farm Flood Information Resources

https://www.unmc.edu/publichealth/cscash/_documents/2019-flood-resources.pdf

Floods: Health Information Guide (for professionals): <https://disasterinfo.nlm.nih.gov/floods>

Floods (for the public): <https://medlineplus.gov/floods.html> , En Español: [Inundaciones](#)

Food and Water Safety During Power Outages and Floods:

<https://www.fda.gov/food/recallsoutbreaksemergencies/emergencies/ucm076881.htm>

Iowa Department of Public Health-Flood and Tornado-related disease precautions & information (English & Spanish) <http://idph.iowa.gov/flooding>

Rx Open – find open pharmacies in areas impacted by disaster:

<https://www.healthcareready.org/rxopen>

SAMHSA Disaster Distress Helpline – provides 24/7, 365-day-a-year crisis counseling and support to people experiencing emotional distress related to natural or human-caused disasters:

<https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline>

Financial. Legal, Materials

Free legal assistance for Iowa disaster survivors: call 833-885-9876 toll free, 9am-4:30pm M-F

<https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2019/05/23/free-legal-assistance-iowa-disaster-survivors>

State of Iowa: 2019 Iowa Floods <https://floods2019.iowa.gov/>

Iowa Flood Information System <http://ifis.iowafloodcenter.org/ifis/en/>

Iowa Disaster Declaration approved (lists counties affected):

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/president-donald-j-trump-approves-iowa-disaster-declaration-4/>

Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management: <https://www.homelandsecurity.iowa.gov/>



Iowa Disaster Recovery Resources: <https://iowa.gov/disaster-recovery-resources> ; locate county coordinator contact information:

https://www.homelandsecurity.iowa.gov/county_em/county_em_overview.html .

FEMA news releases – searchable for the State of Iowa: https://www.fema.gov/news-releases?field_related_fema_regions_tid=All&items_per_page=10

FEMA Individual Disaster Assistance - <https://www.fema.gov/individual-disaster-assistance>

Financial Assistance After a Disaster - <https://www.usa.gov/disaster-financial-help>

Metropolitan Area Planning Agency (Omaha-Council Bluffs)

<http://mapacog.org/calendar/news/2019-floods-how-you-can-help-and-where-you-can-get-help/> /

Residential US Postal Service disruptions: <https://about.usps.com/newsroom/service-alerts/weather-updates-residential.htm>

Populations: UNMC, Veterans

UNMC Students & Employees – University of Nebraska Emergency Assistance Fund:

<https://nufoundation.org/-/nu-university-of-nebraska-emergency-assistance-fund-01148810>. To apply for assistance, contact the university at NUEmergencyFund@nebraska.edu or call 402-472-2111.

University of Nebraska news items supporting flood victims, courtesy of UNL:

<https://news.unl.edu/free-tags/flood-2019/>

UNMC Students – UNMC Food Pantry: <https://www.unmc.edu/student-services/student-life/unmcfoodpantry.html> ; UNMC Counseling & Student Development Center

<https://www.unmc.edu/stucouns/> ; questions? contact Philip Covington, Ed.D, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Success Philip.covington@unmc.edu

UNMC Employees – Employee Assistance Program <https://info.unmc.edu/benefits/eap.html> ; Department of Human Resources <https://www.unmc.edu/human-resources/> .

Farmers – Grain bin safety <https://www.unmc.edu/news.cfm?match=23713>; stress

<https://www.unmc.edu/news.cfm?match=23738>; water wells

<https://www.unmc.edu/news.cfm?match=23828>; and animal carcass disposal methods

<https://www.unmc.edu/news.cfm?match=23899>.

Veterans: Iowa County Veterans Offices – some counties may have dedicated funds to assist with temporary shelter and food supplies. Includes grant deadline dates:

<https://dhs.iowa.gov/disaster-assistance-programs>



Helping others

Nebraska Medical Center & UNMC – Flood Relief Donation Management Center, taking donations at Annex 22 (601 S. Saddle Creek Road, Omaha) weekdays from 10am-4pm. <https://www.unmc.edu/news.cfm?match=23574&> . Contact: robert.jennings@unmc.edu

Iowa Disaster Recovery Resources-Donations: <https://www.iowa.gov/disaster-recovery-resources>

Donate with care <https://protectthegoodlife.nebraska.gov/news/donate-care-response-historic-flooding>

How to help those affected by the flooding in Nebraska and Iowa:

https://www.omaha.com/weather/how-to-help-those-affected-by-the-flooding-in-nebraska/article_b5aea497-9bfa-5e1e-8e99-e4c684a97ee8.html

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