Disaster Financial Assistance Facts



16.0 Evacuation Costs

(for local authorities)

During a disaster event, an authorized government official may order the evacuation of people. When this occurs,

- Municipalities are expected to provide financial support to mandatory evacuees for the
 first 72 hours of an evacuation. When a Disaster Financial Assistance (DFA) program is
 established, costs incurred by municipalities during the 72-hour period will be evaluated,
 and eligible costs will be assisted with under the municipality's DFA public sector claim.
- After 72 hours and up to 30 days, provincial Emergency Social Assistance (ESS) may be available to provide assistance to evacuated households.
- After 30 days of a mandatory evacuation, any assistance through provincial ESS will
 cease and evacuees that had received ESS supports will be referred to DFA by ESS. The
 DFA program will provide assistance for costs incurred to cover basic expenses for
 accommodations, food and other essentials based on Government of Manitoba
 approved rates.

Short term, temporary housing assistance is available through the DFA program to eligible individuals who cannot reoccupy their homes as a result of the damage caused by a disaster. To be eligible, the individuals receiving assistance must be actively engaged in the restoration of their damaged property.