

Emergency grants – Australian Bushfires 2019/20

If you've lost your home in a bushfire since July 2019, you can apply for an emergency grant from Red Cross of \$5,000.

Thanks to the generous donations to Red Cross from people in Australia and overseas, emergency grants are now open for people whose primary place of residence has been destroyed or rendered uninhabitable as the result of bushfires from 1 July 2019.

Your primary place of residence is the place you reside in on a permanent basis, whether as an owner/occupier or as a tenant. Assessments will be made for both unapproved and Council-approved dwellings provided they were your primary place of residence.

A grant of \$5,000 is available per household.

Grants will be open until 30 April 2020.

How to apply

We want to make the process as simple as possible, with a few basic checks.

Before you start your application, please be aware you will need to provide scanned or photo evidence of the following documents:

- Evidence of your identity, such as a drivers licence or passport
- Proof of residence, such as a recent utility bill
- Details for a financial transfer, such as a recent bank statement showing your name, bank name, BSB and account details
- If you can't source these documents as a result of your circumstances, that's OK, please just speak to us.

Apply online at: https://www.redcross.org.au/get-help/emergencies/recovering-from-emergencies/direct-assistance-contact

Or call 1800 RED CROSS (1800 733 276) during business hours or email <u>grants@redcross.org.au</u> for more information