

Emergency Fund

RESPONDING TO DISASTERS SINCE 1948 · MAJOR DAMAGES DUE TO NATURAL DISASTER · HURRICANES · TORNADOES · EARTHQUAKES · FLOODING · FOREST FIRES · WIND STORMS · SIGNIFICANT LOSS · FAST RESPONSE · \$500 AWARD · MEMBERS HELPING MEMBERS



Emergency Fund recommendation process

Members who sustain major losses from floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, wild fires and other natural disasters may be recommended by their chapter and state organization presidents to receive U.S. \$500 from the DKG Emergency Fund.

Inform state organization president

Chapter president informs state organization president of member(s) affected by natural disaster. Use interactive form to expedite process.

Contact Society Headquarters

State organization president submits form to Executive Director with name of member, member's chapter, date and exact nature of disaster sustained and *current mailing address*.

Approved request leads to check

Executive Director approves the request and mails or wires a check from Society Headquarters. It is possible that the Executive Director will ask for additional information to determine whether the loss was due to natural causes.

Emergency Fund provides support

Following a 1948 flood that destroyed Vanport, Oregon, a plea for help in the *DKG NEWS* resulted in more than \$3,000 that became the Emergency Fund. The fund continues as natural disasters affect members. Contributions demonstrate the Society's "genuine spiritual fellowship."

Members say, 'Thank you!'

Iowa member, 2020

Thank you so much for the emergency funds extended to aid our cleanup and cover some of the uninsured losses following the Iowa derecho. I had never heard of a derecho before and never want to experience another one!

Missouri member, 2020

Thank you so much for the \$500 check which helped with the hail damage we suffered. It was such a happy surprise to go to the mailbox and find the check. It's an honor to belong to an organization which cares so much for its members.

Louisiana member, 2020

After the nightmare of Laura's destruction to our house which compromised the south wall, the roof, and part of the east wall your gift added encouragement to our day! I thank you for your kind, caring, compassion during this time of stress.

Mississippi member, 2020

Thank you very much for sending the generous check from the Emergency Fund. We appreciate your thoughtfulness after Hurricane Laura and Delta hit Lake Charles. We evacuated for both storms and stayed away for over a month because we did not have power. I now know firsthand how the Emergency Fund helps DKG members. We are eternally grateful.

You can donate to the Emergency Fund by sending in a check made out to *DKG Emergency Fund* along with a Form 43 that you can download from the Society website under 'Donate to DKGIEF'. You can also donate directly online with a credit card on the Society website under 'Donate to DKGIEF'.



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