

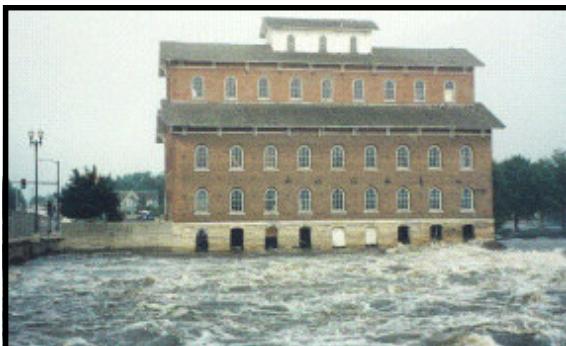
## **Who are we?**

The Buchanan County Disaster Recovery Coalition was established after the floods of 1999 to assist in meeting the unmet needs of the residents of Buchanan County affected by a disaster.

**What does this mean?** Victims of disaster within Buchanan County are asked to file claims with private insurance, and when appropriate, governmental agencies, such as FEMA, when the county is declared a federal disaster. Coalition dollars assist individuals and the community when these dollars do not stretch to meet the needs that have not been met, such as replacing water heaters, placing food on food pantry shelves, bringing in groups of volunteers to assist with clean up and much more.

### **Who is represented on the Coalition?**

Many helping services in the county have a representative attend meetings, including Emergency Management, Mental Health Advocates, Public Health, Ministerial, Red Cross, and other organizations who can assist with available resources.



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# Buchanan County **Disaster Recovery Coalition**

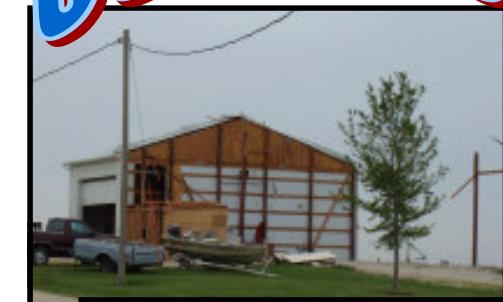
A non-profit organization  
meeting the needs of Buchanan County  
disaster victims.

Call  
**Community Services**  
**319-334-7450**  
or stop by their office  
in the lower level of the  
Buchanan County  
Courthouse,  
210 5th Ave. N.E.  
Independence

**We're here to help  
when all other help  
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# **Disaster Recovery Coalition**



*Serving Buchanan County  
residents after a disaster strikes.*

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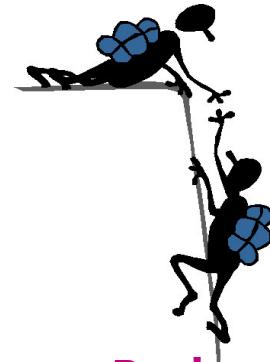


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The coalition activates when necessary after a disaster to assist Buchanan County victims with unmet needs.

Buchanan County residents who are in need of assistance go through an application process and are assisted as dollars and appropriateness of request allows.

Dollars that are obtained through donations and from requests through organizations, such as church affiliates, are utilized to purchase requested items for individuals who could not otherwise afford them.



How do  
I get  
assistance  
from the  
Buchanan County  
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Individuals in need of assistance must fill out an application and turn it in to the Buchanan County Community services office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Applications are located at the Community Services Office, and in time of disaster often at churches and other community service providers.

The Coalition assists individuals with their primary residence. Unfortunately there is not adequate funding to assist with second homes or to assist business.



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Donations can be in the form of money, time, or talents.

Volunteers are always needed to assist to prepare food, make phone calls, assist with clean-up and more.

Dollars given to the Coalition stay in Buchanan County to assist Buchanan County residents who are a victim of a disaster.

Giving to the Coalition is tax deductible.

Checks should be made out to the Buchanan County Community Foundation, earmarked for the Buchanan County Disaster Recovery Coalition and sent to:

**Community Foundation of N.E. Iowa**  
425 Cedar St., Suite 310  
P.O. Box 1176  
Waterloo, IA 50704  
**Phone:** 319-287-9106

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