



POLICY TITLE County Emergency Disaster Program	REFERENCE C.R.S. 26-2-137; 26-2-703; 26-2-706.6 CDHS Volume 3.606.8; 3.609.961
POLICY NO. 15.4000.3.17- CWP	EFFECTIVE BEGIN DATE June 01, 2017
DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADOPTION DATE

BACKGROUND

In cases of a declared county emergency, the county may provide a variety of assistance to meet the unique needs of residents.

POLICY

Eligibility

- Family's annual income must be below \$75,000
- Family assistance unit contains an eligible child, per Colorado Works Program rules
- Must present a real need for services directly relating to the declared emergency
- Must prove lawful presence for those required to meet criteria, per Colorado Works Program rules
- At the director's discretion, assistance may be provided to a family who is currently under sanction or disqualification status for Colorado Works

Payment

- Eligible family assistance units will qualify for up to \$15,000, depending on available resources, including third party insurance.
- Payment of emergency assistance funds will not affect any lifetime maximums on regular county-defined State or County Diversion funds.
- Payment type can be a combination of vendor payments and procurement card purchases at the discretion of the County Director. See Procurement Card Policy 35.4000.16.16.

Timeframe

- Funds are available to qualifying families immediately following the County Director's declaration of an emergency situation.
- Funds may be accessed until the emergency declaration rescinded.
- In cases where latent effects of the disaster appear after the emergency declaration has been rescinded (e.g. mental health needs), the family may petition for emergency assistance. Assistance will be granted at the County Director's discretion.
- The lifetime limits for emergency funds will be dependent on need.

Eligible Services

- Assistance may include, but is not limited to the following types of assistance: purchase or lease of shelter; home renovations (within the existing footprint); transportation (including car repairs and purchase); non-covered medical expenses; work-related supplies that were lost or damaged; counseling services; non-medical mental health services.

Process

- In cases of emergency assistance, the assessment and Individualized Plan (IP) or Roadmap requirements may be modified to streamline and expedite the process.
- Receipts are not required.

Signed by:

Eva J. Henry, Chair, Board of Adams County Commissioners, Adams County Colorado

Date

Adams County Workforce and Business Center Local Area Director

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Adams County Human Services Department Director

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