

BAYFIELD COUNTY EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT PHASES 39 AND ARPA-R. NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Bayfield County is the recipient of Federal Funds made available through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program.

Bayfield County will receive \$6,491 and \$20,063 in funding to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in Bayfield County through Phase 39 and supplementary funding under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

The selection was made by a National Board that is chaired by the U. S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from American Red Cross; Catholic Charities, USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; The Jewish Federations of North America, The Salvation Army; and, United Way Worldwide.

The Local Board will distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.

A Local Board made up of County, City, Tribal, Emergency Management, United Way, Red Cross, Homeless, Veteran and Ministerial representatives will determine how the funds awarded to Bayfield County are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service agencies in the area. The Local Board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds made available under this phase of the program.

Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must: 1) be private voluntary non-profits or units of government, 2) be eligible to receive Federal funds, 3) have an accounting system, 4) practice nondiscrimination, 5) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and 6) if they are a private voluntary organization, have a voluntary board. Qualifying agencies are urged to apply.

Bayfield County has distributed Emergency Food and Shelter funds previously with the Red Cliff Tribe, the Brick Ministries, Northwood's Women Inc, Northwest Wisconsin Community Services Agency and Bayfield County Human Services. These agencies were responsible for providing hundreds of meals and nights of lodging and assistance for area residents

Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds may contact Mark Abeles-Allison, EFSP Board Chair with Bayfield County, (715) 373-6181 or via email at mark.abeles-allison@bayfieldcounty.wi.gov or at PO 878, 117 E Fifth Street, Washburn Wisconsin, 54891. Application forms are also available online at:

www.bayfieldcounty.wi.gov in the NEWSFLASH section at the bottom of the opening page.
The deadline for applications to be received is Thursday, March 10, 2022.



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