



# Help for homeowners impacted by floods

## RESILIENT HOMES FUND

### Register of interest now open

Queensland homeowners who experienced damage to their residential property as a result of flooding this summer can now register their interest for the \$741 million Resilient Homes Fund.

The register of interest is the first important step in helping flood-affected Queenslanders make their homes more resilient following the 2021-22 disaster season.

Funding is available to support a range of options including retrofitting, house-raising or the voluntary buy-back of homes at high risk from future floods.

This initiative is aimed at helping as many flood-affected Queenslanders as possible, with priority given to the most vulnerable and at-risk properties' owners.

The opportunity to register your interest in seeking assistance through this program will be ongoing.

### What is funding available for?

#### Rebuilding more resilient homes

Grants will be available to assist eligible homeowners to repair or retrofit their homes to incorporate flood resilient design and materials in liveable rooms or areas. This could include replacement of floor coverings with a water-resistant finish such as tiles or polished concrete and moving power outlets to above recognised flood levels.

#### Raising homes

Grants will be available to eligible homeowners to raise homes to reduce the impacts of future flood events by lifting living areas and rooms above the defined flood level. This initiative may also include moving the home on the same parcel of land (for example, moving it to higher ground).

#### Buying back homes

In high-risk situations where repairing, retrofitting or raising are not considered suitable options, a voluntary buy-back of the residence will be considered.

Voluntary home buy-backs will be on a case-by-case basis and will consider a range of factors including the frequency of flooding, severity of flooding, structural safety of the property, future flood risk and broader social impacts.



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Funding will be provided to the relevant local government to purchase the house and land under this initiative. The land would then be re-zoned into non-liveable uses, like open space and green corridors, and remain in the ownership of the local government.

## Who can apply?

Queensland homeowners whose property was inundated as a result of any of the three major floods in 2021-22 including the South East Queensland floods; the ex-Tropical Cyclone Seth floods of January 2022; and the Central, Southern and Western Queensland flooding in late 2021.

## How do I register?

Register your interest at [qld.gov.au/resilienthomes](https://qld.gov.au/resilienthomes)

## More information

For enquiries about the Resilient Homes Fund:

- email [resilienthomes@epw.qld.gov.au](mailto:resilienthomes@epw.qld.gov.au)
- call 13 QGOV (13 74 68).

For information about community support services near you visit [Regional community support services | Community support | Queensland Government \(www.qld.gov.au\)](#)

*The Resilient Homes Fund is being provided through the jointly funded Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).*