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## **SEOC Update: 2025 October West Coast Storm – Disaster Update**

**JOINT BASE ELMENDORF RICHARDSON, Alaska** —The transition from a response-oriented operation to a long-term recovery operation continues, [demobilizing many operational resources](#). To date, the Alaska Division of Forestry & Fire Prevention, Team Rubicon, the American Red Cross and the Alaska Organized Militia have demobilized from the Bethel operational hub. An Alaska Army National Guard aircraft and aircrew will remain in Bethel to provide support as requested by the State Emergency Operations Center.

In Bethel, the Disaster Assistance Center (DAC) and the Yukon-Kuskokwim Emergency Operations Center (YK EOC) have demobilized. Continued recovery efforts will be managed through the Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP). AVCP, AVCP Regional Housing Authority, and the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities may continue repair operations as winter weather allows.

State and FEMA Individual Assistance (IA) applications continue to come in. As of Nov. 25, 2025, 1,796 state and 1,287 FEMA IA applications have been submitted. While Disaster Assistance Centers (DACs) have closed, IA registration teams are sharing information between agencies and conducting outgoing calls to those not registered and potentially eligible. Flights to the impacted communities, to accept State and FEMA IA applications, are continuing as winter weather permits.

The American Red Cross will continue to accept registrations for financial assistance through December 19, 2025. To date, 597 survivors or households have registered, including all non-congregate shelter residents. The deadline to apply for Red Cross Financial Assistance has been extended to December 12, 2025. To apply, call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

There are currently over 640 individuals, from 172 households in non-congregate sheltering in Anchorage, with more than 22,000 meals delivered. Plans for longer-term temporary housing are currently in development.

## Donations collection warehouse closed

The donations collection warehouse in Anchorage, provided by Chugach Electric Association at 1120 East 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, has closed and is no longer accepting donations. Individuals desiring to make donations to benefit the impacted residents are encouraged to give financially through established relief organizations such as the [Alaska Community Foundation](#), [American Red Cross of Alaska](#), [Salvation Army](#), [Alaska Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster](#), and [Team Rubicon](#).

## Disaster Assistance Center in Bethel closed

The Disaster Assistance Center (DAC) in Bethel has closed. Disaster Assistance Centers have been held in Anchorage, Bethel, and Kotzebue to support individuals and families affected by the 2025 October West Coast Storm. DACs have provided in-person assistance, helping survivors connect with available resources, complete necessary paperwork, and receive guidance on recovery programs and services. Residents impacted by the disaster, who have not already registered with State and FEMA IA programs, are encouraged to contact both call centers and apply.

## Individual Assistance Registration and Additional Information

- **State of Alaska Individual Assistance (IA)** – Deadline is January 8, 2026
  - To register for State of Alaska Individual Assistance:
  - Call 1-844-445-7131, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
    - **Call center is closed on Thanksgiving, Thursday Nov. 27**
  - Or apply online <https://ready.alaska.gov/Recovery/IA>
- **FEMA Individual Assistance (IA)** – Deadline is December 22, 2025
  - To register for FEMA Individual Assistance:
  - Call 1-866-342-1699, Monday – Sunday, 9 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
    - **Call center is closed on Thanksgiving, Thursday Nov. 27**
    - **Yup'ik interpretation available on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 1:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.**
  - Or apply online at <https://disasterassistance.gov>
- **Small Business Administration (SBA)** – Deadline is December 22, 2025
  - SBA offers low interest, long-term disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses, and private nonprofits to repair and replace property destroyed by the storms.
  - Call 1-800-659-2955, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
    - **Call center is closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday, Nov. 27 and Friday, Nov. 28**
  - Or apply online at <https://sba.gov/disaster>

Alaska 211 can connect individuals with available local resources that best fit their needs. Call 2-1-1 or 1-800-478-2221. Email: [alaska211@ak.org](mailto:alaska211@ak.org) or visit [www.Alaska211.org](http://www.Alaska211.org). Native Alaskan language interpretation services are available.

A list of resources related to the disaster is available at [ready.alaska.gov](https://ready.alaska.gov), under Top News; and on Facebook at [Alaska Division of Homeland Security and Emergency](#)

[Management](#) and [2025 West Coast Storm Recovery](#). Survivors are also encouraged to visit Alaska Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (AK VOAD) for additional resources <https://www.akvoad.org/>.

All donations, events, and services available for survivors of the 2025 October West Coast Storm should be directed to [storm2025@ready.alaska.gov](mailto:storm2025@ready.alaska.gov).

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