

HURRICANE HELENE BUSINESS RESOURCES

Grants for Businesses

FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

- **Explore Asheville & the Buncombe County Tourism Development Authority - Always Asheville Fund**, \$770,000+ available, \$5,000 - \$10,000 award | [Application due 11/11](#)
- **Dogwood Health Trust & Appalachian Community Capital - Western North Carolina Small Business Initiative (WNC SBI)**, \$10 million available, up to \$25,000 award | [Application due 11/27](#)
- **U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation - Small Business Hurricane Recovery Grant Program**, \$5 million available, up to \$5,000 award | [Application](#)
- **Preservation Society of Asheville and Buncombe County - Brick and Mortar Grants**, \$500 - \$5,000 award | [Application](#)
- **Mountain BizWorks - WNC Strong: Rebuilding Together Grants** (In Development)
- **Asheville Chamber of Commerce - Mountain Strong Fund for Business Recovery** | In Development

FOR ARTS & CULTURE ORGANIZATIONS

- **National Independent Venue Foundation - National Independent Venue Relief Fund**, \$25,000 max award | [Application](#)
- **The NC Arts Foundation - NC Arts Disaster Relief Fund** | In Development

FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

- **Community Foundation WNC - Emergency and Disaster Response Fund**, \$25,000 - \$50,000 award | [Application](#)
- **United Way of North Carolina - NC Disaster Relief Fund**, \$10,000 max award | [Application](#)
- **Community Foundation WNC - WNC Long Haul Recovery & Resilience Fund** | In Development

Loans for Businesses

- **Mountain Bizworks - WNC Strong: Helene Business Recovery Fund Loan Program**, up to \$100,000 per loan, 1% interest with interest-only payments for the first year. | [Application](#)
- **US Small Business Administration - Disaster Loans (Physical Damage, Economic Injury, Mitigation Assistance)** | [Application](#)

A list of updated community resources can be found at: [always.asheville.com/business-resources](https://www.alwaysasheville.com/business-resources)

ALWAYS ASHEVILLE FUND



Provides emergency microgrants to support re-opening (\$5,000 to \$10,000)



For small, independent tourism-related businesses located in Buncombe County

Apply at www.alwaysashevillefund.com
by November 11

EXPLORE ASHEVILLE

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Buncombe County Tourism
Development Authority

HURRICANE HELENE INDIVIDUAL RESOURCES

Grants or Stipends for Individuals

FOR ARTISTS

- **Center for Craft - Craft Futures Fund**, \$500 max stipend | [Application](#)
- **ArtsAVL - Emergency Relief Grant**, \$500 max stipend | [Application](#)
- **RADA Foundation - River Arts District Hurricane Helene Relief Fund**, \$300 max stipend | [Application](#)
- **Adolph and Esther Gottlieb Foundation - Emergency Grant**, \$15,000 max award | [Application](#)
- **The NC Arts Foundation - NC Arts Disaster Relief Fund** | In Development
- **Asheville Fringe Festival - Artist Relief Fund**, \$250 max stipend | In Development

FOR HOSPITALITY, FOOD & BEVERAGE WORKERS

- **North Carolina Restaurant & Lodging Association - NC Hospitality Workers Relief Fund** | [Application](#)
- **Asheville Independent Restaurant Association (AIR) - WNC Tip it Forward**, \$500 stipends | [Application](#)
- **Giving Kitchen - Emergency Assistance** | [Application](#)
- **Southern Smoke Foundation - Emergency Relief Fund** | [Application](#)
- **The Meeting Industry Fund - Financial assistance for meeting professionals** | [Application](#)
- **SEARCH Foundation - SEARCH crisis funds, financial assistance for event professionals** | [Application](#)

Federal Resources for Individuals

- **NC Department of Commerce - Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)**, Temporary payments for people whose employment has been impacted directly due to a disaster | [Learn more](#)
- **FEMA - Disaster Assistance for Individuals and Businesses**, Grants for temporary housing, home repairs, and low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses | Learn more at [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.disasterassistance.gov)

