



Disaster Relief and Recovery Program Overview

The ARA Foundation provides several types of assistance to aid in disaster relief and recovery.

Business Disaster Relief Grants: Provides assistance to the owner of a rental business in the U.S. and Canada who has suffered a significant loss from a natural disaster that can be verified by police, fire and/or news report. The business must have fewer than 100 employees on the disaster date and operate 50% or greater in rental business. The loss to the business must be a minimum of \$10,000, an insurance claim must be filed, and the grant request must be submitted by the business owner within 90 days following the disaster. Grant awards range between \$500 and \$2,500 based on need, as determined by the committee established by the ARA Foundation Board of Trustees.

Employee Disaster Relief Grant: Provides assistance to those employed in the equipment rental industry in the U.S. and Canada who have been significantly affected by a verified natural disaster. Business owners must file the grant application on behalf of their employees and will be responsible for disbursement of the awarded grant funds. Proof of loss is required. The business must have less than 100 full-time employees on the disaster date and operate 50% or more in rental business. The grant request must be filed within 90 days of the disaster date. Grant awards range between \$500 and \$2,000 per employee, based on need, as determined by the committee established by the ARA Foundation Board of Trustees.

Disaster Recovery Matching Funds Program: Provides matching funds for donations made by ARA state chapter association, to charitable organizations within established IRS guidelines, when there has been a major natural disaster that affects entire communities with massive devastation. The ARA Foundation may also authorize funds independently, without matching funds.

Disaster Preparedness and Recovery Guide and Resources: This guide provides information on how to protect equipment, prepare for the impact of disasters, prevent loss and continue doing business after a disaster occurs. Specific checklists and advice for many types of disasters, as well as information on preparation and recovery are included. The ARA Foundation website contains a listing of resources to assist in preparation and recovery from a disaster.



Business Disaster Relief Grant Application

The ARA Foundation can award grants to individual equipment rental businesses in the U.S and Canada. Grants ranging between \$500 and \$2,500 may be awarded. Additional support may be determined based upon the severity of the loss from information submitted.

How to Apply:

Applicants are to review the instructions carefully and submit all required information.

The Cover Page Application provides the ARA Foundation with basic information about the business and the grant request.

The following outline serves as a guide to help you describe your grant request. It is up to the applicant's discretion as to what information to include.

- Business information, branches, employees, annual revenue
- Summary of business history & ARA membership status (if applicable)
- Description of the business inventory-party/event, general tool, construction, other

Proposed Grant Application Form

- Description of what happened.
- What are the business needs or problems to be addressed by this grant request?
- How will funds be used?
- Any other recovery assistance received?

Required Documents

- Police and/or fire and/or news report
- Total value of loss
- Copy of insurance claim filed
- Photos of damage

If you have any questions about the application process and requirements, please contact Tracy Johannsen at 309.277.4270 or Tracy.Johannsen@ARARental.org.

Please submit one unstapled copy by mail or email to:

ARA Foundation
Attn: Tracy Johannsen
1900 19th Street
Moline, IL 61265



Business Disaster Relief Grant Application

Business Name: _____ ARA ID# if applicable _____

Owner's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Contact Person/Title: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Cell Number: _____

Business Information:

Amount of Annual Revenue: _____ Fiscal Year: _____

Inventory Demographics: Party/Event ___% General Tool ___% Construction ___%

Number of Staff _____ Number of Branches _____ Years in Business _____

Name of Insurance Carrier _____

Insurance filed: yes _____ no _____ Amount of claim \$ _____

Disaster Information

Description and Date of Natural Disaster





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Date submitted _____

Proposed Request:

Describe nature of disaster/loss and what occurred?

What are the business needs or problems to be addressed through this request?

How will the funds be used?

Who else is helping with recovery assistance?



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Required Documents:

Police and/or Fire Report and/or News Report attached? _____

Total Value of Loss \$ _____

Copy of Insurance Claim Filed attached? _____

Photos of damage attached? _____

(Please provide a description with the photos, include item identification and location in the store.
Please send no more than 10 photos)

Photo #1 _____

Photo #2 _____

Photo #3 _____

Photo #4 _____

Photo #5 _____

Photo #6 _____

Photo #7 _____

Photo #8 _____

Photo #9 _____

Photo #10 _____

Additional Information you wish to provide:
