




# *Rochester*

## COMMUNITY ACCESS FLOOD·RELIEF·FUND

Apply for up to **\$500** of financial support payments for Rochester and surrounding residents impacted by the October 2022 flood event



Initiated by  
**Rochester  
Community  
House**

Community Bank  
Elmore, Lockington and Rochester  
 Bendigo Bank

Additional funding  
from Community  
Bank Elmore,  
Lockington and  
Rochester



Delivered by  
**ANHC (Australian  
Neighbourhood Houses  
and Centres Association)**



# BACKGROUND

In response to the catastrophic floods in October 2022, [Rochester Community House](#) established a flood recovery bank account to collect funds to be distributed to the flood-affected residents of their community. The sheer devastation of these floods and the generosity of the broader community have seen a great amount of donations raised.

To assist with the distribution of these funds, Rochester Community House has partnered with the [Australian Neighbourhood Houses and Centres Association \(ANHCA\)](#). With additional funding from [Community Bank Elmore, Lockington and Rochester](#) to help with the administrative costs, ANHCA has established the '*Rochester Community Access Flood Relief Fund*'. We aim to ensure that these funds are readily available for local community members of Rochester and surrounding residents.

## Who can receive funding?

### Residents of Rochester (3561) and surrounding localities impacted by the October 2022 flood event

This funding is only available for your primary residence. This includes people who are renting or are homeowners. This excludes rental properties that are rented or owned but are used as a secondary residence (e.g., holiday homes). Rental properties will be addressed on an individual basis.

This funding is only available for individuals and not for businesses. If you are a local business that has been affected, please go to [anhca.org/rochesterfloodrelieffund](http://anhca.org/rochesterfloodrelieffund) to find information about the support available for businesses.

To confirm residence and eligibility, applications may be asked to provide proof of residence. To speed up the application process, you are encouraged to attach one of the following to your application:

- Driver's license, Utility bill, Rental agreement, or Concession or Health Care Card

*Note: If you do not attach proof of residence at the time of submission, you may be asked to do so at a later date as part of the eligibility check.*

## Funding Available:

### Apply for up to \$500 of financial support payments

**Round One:**

Opens: 20 July 2023

Closes: 30 June 2024

Max of \$500 per household.

*From the generosity of Community Bank Elmore, Lockington and Rochester, Bendigo Bank applicants can receive a \$200 Bonus.*

Round 2 is to be confirmed, depending on available funds. If available, households can apply for another \$500.

## Assessment Process:

### Applications are reviewed on a monthly basis.

Funding will be transferred after assessment to community members who are deemed eligible to receive funding. Note the administrator's decision is final. Feedback regarding unsuccessful applications may not be provided.

Find more support at [anhca.org/rochesterfloodrelieffund](http://anhca.org/rochesterfloodrelieffund)

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