

# Demolish, rebuild or relocate

The Resilient Homes Fund (RHF) provides funding for the raising or the demolition and rebuild of properties that did not originally meet the Home Raising program eligibility criteria.

As part of the expanded criteria, the RHF can provide funding for enclosed rooms/levels, that are not practical to raise, such as those built on concrete slabs. These can be demolished and rebuilt or relocated above the assessed flood level and the 2021-2022 flood event level, whichever is higher.

The program will undertake a separate assessment to confirm your eligibility for one of the funding programs. Contact [resilienthomes@epw.qld.gov.au](mailto:resilienthomes@epw.qld.gov.au) if you would like to be considered for this program.

## Key dates:

- 30 July 2023**  
Registrations for the Resilient Homes Fund program closed.
- 11.59pm (AEST), 1 December 2025**  
Grant applications for funding close, unless funds have already been exhausted.
- 31 March 2027**  
The completion of works date listed in your Building Contract must not exceed this date.

**Important:** Registrations for the Resilient Homes Fund are not transferable. If you are planning to sell your home, all works must be completed and payments finalised prior to the sale of your home.

Visit [Apply for funding | Homes and housing | Queensland Government](#) for more information on the funding application.

## Please note:

The following steps are to be completed before **30 June 2027**:

- » A request for final milestone payment submitted to QRIDA
- » A RHF completion inspection of the works
- » Final Building Certification (if applicable) or the provision of the required trade certificates as listed in the Value for Money Certificate
- » Rectification of defects or incomplete works by the licensed contractor
- » Final invoices issued to the homeowner by the licensed contractor
- » Final invoices submitted by the homeowner to QRIDA
- » Final milestone payment released by QRIDA.

NOTE: Please note the Resilient Homes Fund (RHF) cannot negotiate or settle contracts between homeowners and builders.

## Available funding

There are two funding options to demolish and rebuild or relocate your home or a part of it.

### Expanded Criteria \$150,000 capped

Funding for this program is dependent on the following criteria:

- » The existing **habitable** area below the assessed flood level **or** 2021-2022 flood event level is demolished and reinstated
- » The new finished floor level is rebuilt above the assessed flood level **and** 2021-2022 flood event level, whichever is higher

- » In cases where homeowners have received eligibility for 'Demolition, rebuild or relocate' for their property, the same funding cap of \$150,000 applies
- » Existing areas being sought for funding must be demolished. Affected areas/spaces/buildings cannot be repurposed or re-classed
- » Co-contributions are not available. Homeowners, or their insurer, will need to pay any costs over \$150,000.

## Expanded Criteria \$50,000 capped

Funding for this program is dependent on the following criteria:

- » The existing non-habitable **enclosed** area below the assessed flood Level **or** 2021-2022 flood event level is demolished
- » The new finished floor level is rebuilt above the assessed flood level **and** 2021-2022 flood event level, whichever is higher
- » Existing areas being sought for funding must be demolished. Demolished areas/spaces/buildings cannot be repurposed or re-classed
- » Co-contributions are not available. Homeowners, or their insurer, will need to pay any costs over \$50,000.

In cases where the assessed flood level has been changed by council, the program requires the current/latest assessed flood level to be used, unless works have begun or a Value for Money assessment has already been completed using a previous level.

## Check your eligibility

You are eligible to receive funding if:

- » The building envelope was inundated by water as a result of an eligible flooding event.
- » The floor level is below the assessed flood level specified by your local council (where information was available at the time of preparing the Home Assessment Report) and/or the 2021-2022 flood event level.
- » The program may require evidence to confirm enclosed areas are habitable spaces. Rooms with a ceiling height of less than 2.4m may still be eligible for the \$50,000 program, provided they are properly enclosed.

**NOTE:** If a home has not been raised to/above the assessed flood level or 2021-2022 flood level event –whichever is higher– the Resilient Homes Fund will not provide funding for the works.

## More information

More information about the Home Raising program and eligibility can be found on the Resilient Homes Fund website at [qld.gov.au/resilienthomes](http://qld.gov.au/resilienthomes)

## Contact us

Contact the Resilient Homes Fund team on (07) 3007 4485 (select option 2), or at [resilienthomes@epw.qld.gov.au](mailto:resilienthomes@epw.qld.gov.au) if you have any questions about the Home Raising program.

# Links directory

- » BeyondBlue  
[beyondblue.org.au](http://beyondblue.org.au)
- » Design Guidance for Flood Resilient Homes  
[qld.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0021/273036/Design-Guidance-for-Flood-Resilient-Homes.pdf](http://qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0021/273036/Design-Guidance-for-Flood-Resilient-Homes.pdf)
- » Housing Service Centres  
[qld.gov.au/housing/public-community-housing/housing-service-centre](http://qld.gov.au/housing/public-community-housing/housing-service-centre)
- » Industry Guidance for Flood Resilient Homes  
[qld.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0026/335780/rhf-industry-guidance-flood-resilient-home-a3.pdf](http://qld.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0026/335780/rhf-industry-guidance-flood-resilient-home-a3.pdf)
- » Lifeline  
[lifeline.org.au](http://lifeline.org.au)
- » National Construction Code  
[abcb.gov.au](http://abcb.gov.au)
- » QBCC local contractor search  
[my.qbcc.qld.gov.au/myQBCC/s/findlocalcontractor](http://my.qbcc.qld.gov.au/myQBCC/s/findlocalcontractor)
- » Queensland Home Warranty Scheme  
[qbcc.qld.gov.au/your-property/queensland-home-warranty-scheme](http://qbcc.qld.gov.au/your-property/queensland-home-warranty-scheme)
- » Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) portal  
[applyonline.qrida.qld.gov.au/auth/login](http://applyonline.qrida.qld.gov.au/auth/login)
- » Raise your home webpage  
[www.qld.gov.au/housing/buying-owning-home/financial-help-concessions/resilient-homes-fund/overview/home-raising](http://www.qld.gov.au/housing/buying-owning-home/financial-help-concessions/resilient-homes-fund/overview/home-raising)
- » Regional Community Support Services Brochures  
[qld.gov.au/community/disasters-emergencies/disasters/resources-translations/regional-support-brochures](http://qld.gov.au/community/disasters-emergencies/disasters/resources-translations/regional-support-brochures)
- » Information about preparing your household for future floods and other disasters  
[getready.qld.gov.au](http://getready.qld.gov.au)

# Support

## Support in your community

Download the Queensland Government's Regional Community Support Services Brochures for information and contact details of key community services available in your area, including financial and emotional support.

Visit: [qld.gov.au/community/disasters-emergencies/disasters/resources-translations/regional-support-brochures](http://qld.gov.au/community/disasters-emergencies/disasters/resources-translations/regional-support-brochures)

For further support for communities affected by natural disasters please contact our Community Recovery Hotline on **1800 173 349**.

## Accommodation assistance

Housing Service Centres across Queensland provide a range of support including bond loans, rental grants and a RentConnect service. Anyone needing housing assistance can contact their local Housing Service Centre.

Visit: [qld.gov.au/housing/public-community-housing/housing-service-centre](http://qld.gov.au/housing/public-community-housing/housing-service-centre)

You can also phone the 24/7 Homeless Hotline on **1800 474 753**.

## Legal aid

Legal Aid Queensland provides free legal advice on a variety of areas including, but not limited to, contracts and family matters.

Visit: [legalaid.qld.gov.au](http://legalaid.qld.gov.au)

## Finances

The Financial Information Service, provided by Services Australia, is a free service that provides informative guidance about financial matters.

Visit: [servicesaustralia.gov.au/financial-information-service](http://servicesaustralia.gov.au/financial-information-service)

## Emotional support

We know this can be a very stressful time. Talking about what you are going through with your family and friends can be helpful. There are also very helpful support services available to you including Lifeline and BeyondBlue.

Visit: [lifeline.org.au](http://lifeline.org.au)

Visit: [beyondblue.org.au](http://beyondblue.org.au)

## More information

For support or more information about the Resilient Homes Fund:



website [qld.gov.au/resilienthomes](http://qld.gov.au/resilienthomes)

Or scan the QR code.

If you require the assistance of an interpreter, phone 1800 512 541.

Our compliments and complaints management policy and procedure can be found at [housing.qld.gov.au/contact/complaints-compliments](http://housing.qld.gov.au/contact/complaints-compliments)



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