

Southern Tasmania Bushfires – 4 December 2025

Financial Support

REPAIR AND RESTORATION GRANTS

The Tasmanian Government has Recovery and Restoration Grants available to support community members in Dolphin Sands impacted by the bushfires that started on 4 December 2025.

These grants are available to people in the affected areas who have had to evacuate their primary place of residence.

The **Repair and Restoration Grants** offer up to \$11,650 per household for substantial property damage and to assist with re-establishing it to a basic minimum standard.

This can include repairs, rebuilding or clean-up costs.

Who can apply for this grant:

These grants are for low-income homeowners of a principal place of residence in the Dolphin Sands area.

You are not eligible for this grant if you hold liquid assets (cash, bank accounts, shares) over the value of \$35,000 (this excludes principal place of residence, vehicles and personal effects).

What the grant can be used for:

The Repair and Restoration Grant can be used for the costs of repairing, restoring or cleaning up your principal place of residence to a basic minimum standard.

What the grant can't be used for:

This grant can't be used to assist with returning your property to its full pre-disaster condition.

Funds can't be used for:

- Business and/or income losses
- Motor vehicle repairs or towing

- Non-essential repairs and restoration, like air-conditioning, built-in wardrobes, painting and wallpaper that isn't part of a structural repair, damage to areas like games rooms, pergolas, gardens, verandas.

What information you need to provide:

- Evidence of your income for the last 8 weeks.
- An estimate by a reputable service provider of the cost to repair, restore or clean up your property.
- Your bank account details and a valid identification document which contains your full name, date of birth and current address.
- For more information on valid identification documents, read the Recovery and Restoration Guidelines
https://www.service.tas.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0030/476265/Recovery-and-Restoration-Grant-Guidelines-December-2025-FINAL.pdf
- Other information may be requested to help assess your eligibility to receive this grant.

More information:

- Go to: Community Grants | Service Tasmania
<https://www.service.tas.gov.au/community-grants> to make an application
- Email: eagrants@dpac.tas.gov.au
- Call: 1800 204 224