

# I want to demolish, rebuild or relocate my home

## Key dates:

- 30 July 2023**  
Registrations for the Resilient Homes Fund program closed.
- 1 December 2025**  
Grant applications for funding close.
- 30 June 2026**  
Works to be completed and paid in full.

**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.

Depending on the type of damage your home sustained in the 2021-2022 flood event, you may be eligible for funding to demolish and rebuild or relocate your home, or part of your home.

This is potentially available for homes that cannot be practically raised, such as those built on concrete slabs.

Email [resilienthomes@epw.qld.gov.au](mailto:resilienthomes@epw.qld.gov.au) if you would like to be considered for this option, as it will not be part of the home assessment. A separate assessment will need to be done.

## Available funding

The funding threshold for the Home Raising program (which includes demolish and rebuild) has been raised from \$100,000 to \$150,000. This means you can access up to an additional \$50,000 of government funding for eligible works.

If you've commenced or completed resilience works, this additional funding may be reimbursed once your application is approved by QRIDA.

We encourage you to progress your funding application to QRIDA: [applyonline.qrida.qld.gov.au](https://applyonline.qrida.qld.gov.au)

## Check your eligibility

You are eligible to receive funding if:

- » There was inundation by floodwaters above the habitable floor level of your home from an eligible 2021-2022 flood event
- » The floor level is below the assessed flood level (where information was available at the time of preparing the Home Assessment Report) and/or the 2021-2022 flood event level
- » The new home will meet flood resilience guidance and all relevant building code, regulation and planning scheme requirements
- » The building plans and detailed quote or scope of works to build a new home (or relocate a removed house) above both the assessed flood level and 2021-2022 flood event level (the Fund will not cover demolition to create a vacant block of land)
- » For habitable floors, evidence is provided to show that the room/floor can be classified as habitable according to building codes and standards. For example, rooms with floor to ceiling height of less than 2.4m will not be considered eligible as they are not considered suitable habitable areas
- » All other eligibility criteria to apply are satisfied.



## Funding options

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

### Option 1: Habitable areas

If the habitable area of your home is below the assessed flood level or the 2021-2022 flood event level, you can apply for up to \$150,000 to demolish and rebuild your home or a habitable area of your home above both levels. Co-contributions are not available. Homeowners, will need to pay any costs over \$150,000.

### Option 2: Non-habitable areas

If a non-habitable area of your home is below the assessed flood level or the 2021-2022 flood event level, you can apply for up to \$50,000 to demolish and move the non-habitable area. Note that the required outcome is that the new non-habitable floor level is raised to or above both the assessed flood level and the 2021-2022 flood event level. Co-contributions are not available. Homeowners will need to pay any costs over \$50,000.

## Before you start

If you are interested in this opportunity, we encourage you to:

- » Investigate all associated costs such as, but not limited to, rent, earthworks, asbestos removal (if applicable), architect plans and council approvals. If you are considering this opportunity, you will need to fund additional costs yourself, and may want to speak with a financial advisor
- » Consider your personal circumstances to make sure this is a feasible option for you.

Consider: the time it takes to get quotes, how long it will take for works to be completed, how long you will be out of your existing home

- » Think about where you might live while works are taking place. You will be required to vacate your home for several weeks if you raise, or potentially longer if you demolish and rebuild your home.

## More information

More information about demolish and rebuild or relocate eligibility is available on the 'Raise your home' program page on the Resilient Homes Fund website. Visit [www.qld.gov.au/resilienthomes](http://www.qld.gov.au/resilienthomes).

Download:  
**Design Guidance for Flood Resilient Homes**



# 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](https://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](https://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](https://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](https://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](https://lifeline.org.au)

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

## Need help with any of these steps?

If you have questions and want to talk to someone about your property and your individual circumstances, call **07 3007 4485** and select **option 2** to arrange a one-on-one appointment.

For more information visit [qld.gov.au/resilienthomes](https://qld.gov.au/resilienthomes)

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](https://housing.qld.gov.au/contact/complaints-compliments)

