



CVEDC
Central Vermont Economic Development Corporation

Flood Relief Update: July 12, 2023

Dear Central Vermont Business Community,

We are so sorry for the devastation and loss we continue to learn about in our region.

Tomorrow, myself and Josh Jerome of City of Montpelier will be touring Montpelier businesses and collecting stories and information about what's happened to downtown Montpelier. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to flag us to stop by or want to speak at another time.

The incredible staff at CVEDC, Rose Kelly and Shaneall Ferron, have created [this website](#) to keep you up to date on resources and support.

You'll see we've added an intake form—you may fill this out now if you know you'll be seeking relief funds and it will help your application. We are here to assist with that process.

At this time, we are awaiting further news on what programs will be used to support businesses impacted by flooding. A reminder that for right now, you should contact your insurance and clean up as it is safe to do so, being sure to document all losses with photos and notes.

Governor Phil Scott will be providing a media briefing tomorrow, Thursday, July 13, at 10 AM. The Governor's media briefing will be available to stream on the [Governor's Facebook page](#), [ORCA Media](#) and several other Vermont media outlets.

Questions from the community:

1. Can businesses clean up the mud and debris and damaged inventory, equipment furniture fixtures now for safety and sanitation or will that affect our potential disaster loan amount? Yes, they can clean and sanitize, as necessary. Please take pictures and keep receipts and documentation of expenses.
2. Can businesses replace ruined inventory, equipment, F&F, supplies and get reimbursed from the disaster loan proceeds? Yes, they would still maintain eligibility. Similarly, to #1 above, they need to take pictures and keep receipts and documentation of expenses.

Please know our thoughts are with you and we are committed to seeing you through this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Melissa Bounty, Executive Director