



LORD MAYOR'S DISTRESS RELIEF FUND

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### **Further payments distributed to people devastated by Tropical Cyclone Seroja**

Owner occupiers who suffered major damage to their homes greater than \$100,000 will receive a further \$15,000 from the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund.

This will bring the total grant received by owner occupiers suffering major damage to \$25,000.

A further \$5000 has also been made available to owners whose homes were totally destroyed or suffered major damage.

More than \$4 million has been disbursed to people impacted by Tropical Cyclone Seroja and 313 applicants have received funding.

Presiding Chair Lord Mayor Basil Zempilas said the generosity of West Australians had made it possible for people devastated by Tropical Cyclone Seroja to receive further payments from the Fund.

"The people of Western Australia have been incredibly generous this year supporting two Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund appeals, he said.

"These payments cannot replace everything that people have lost, but hopefully in some small way they will ease some of the financial burden," he said.

"This was a devastating disaster that affected so many West Australians over an incredibly wide area.

"Every dollar the WA community has donated will go directly to the people and communities affected by this Tropical Cyclone."

The Tropical Cyclone Seroja Appeal has now been closed having raised more than \$7.6 million.

People can still apply for assistance by visiting [www.appealswa.org.au](http://www.appealswa.org.au)

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