



## THE DISASTER ASSISTANCE EQUITY ACT OF 2017

Did you know that if a natural disaster strikes your community association, your neighborhood **WILL NOT** qualify for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) assistance? This has potentially **devastating** effects on communities.

Representative Sanford (R-SC) introduced the Disaster Assistance Equity Act of 2017 as a solution for condominiums, housing cooperatives, and homeowners associations to become eligible for assistance from FEMA to help in the recovery efforts of a natural disaster.

**E-mail your Representative** and ask them to co-sponsor of the **Disaster Assistance Equity Act of 2017**, a bill that specifically qualifies community associations for federal disaster assistance.

Major natural disasters quickly exhaust association budgets and leave homeowners facing significant special assessments to pay for debris removal or to fund repairs that exhaust insurance proceeds. These increased housing costs come at a time of significant economic stress and dislocation, posing a unique threat to community recovery. Nearly 70 million people live in America's community associations, storms don't discriminate, neither should FEMA. **Take Action Today! Take 5 minutes to e-mail your Representative and ask them to co-sponsor H.R. 3238, The Disaster Assistance Equity Act of 2017.**

For more information on disaster assistance in community associations, visit: [www.caionline.org/FEMA](http://www.caionline.org/FEMA)



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