



Retail Baking Industry Foundation Hurricane Relief Fund

Purpose The purpose of the Retail Baking Industry Foundation (RBIF) Hurricane Relief Fund is to support retail bakers who suffered losses from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita rebuild and restock their businesses.

History Last summer the Gulf Coast region was devastated by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. With hundreds of square miles still uninhabitable, the devastation has not been alleviated. The devastation hit close to home for the retail baking industry. Fifty three bakeries along the Gulf Coast were impacted by the storms. Many are struggling to rebound from total losses and, with no insurance to cover flood damage, recovery is difficult. RBIF sought partners from the industry and has been joined in its efforts by industry suppliers, local associations and bakers from across the country.

Eligibility All applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Been geographically located in the devastated areas of Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi or Texas;
- Supply documented evidence such as insurance claims of loss of equipment, supplies and/or stock and photographs;
- Have reopened or are planning to reopen in the same geographic area.

Fund Disbursement The funds collected will be used to help bakeries recover, replace equipment and supplies and reopen. Grants will range between \$500 - \$3,000. Due to limitations in available funds, not all requests for funding can be met during this grant period.

Applications may be submitted in any of the following ways:

Via e-mail: snicola@rbanet.com

By fax: 703-610-9005, attention: RBIF Hurricane Relief Fund

By mail: Retail Bakers of America
 Hurricane Relief Fund
 8201 Greensboro Drive, #300
 McLean, VA 22102

The RBIF will make every effort to review grant requests as fast as possible. While a request is under review, applicants may need to be contacted for additional information or clarification. Funds will be made available immediately when an award is made.

Grant recipients must acknowledge that the award will be used only as described in the request.

RBIF Hurricane Relief Fund Grant Request

Answer the questions to the best of your ability providing as much factual detail as you think would be helpful.

Date: _____ / _____ / _____

Bakery Name

Contact Person

Current Address

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Address prior to Hurricane

Phone#

Email Address

\$

Amount Requested

- 1) Is your bakery located in an area that was designated as a disaster area by the federal government? YES NO

- 2) Do you plan to reopen or have you reopened your bakery? _____

- 3) Do you plan to move or continue to operate in your current location?

- 4) What was the total number of employees on your bakery's payroll prior to the Hurricane? _____

How many were part-time? _____ How many were full-time? _____

5) What is the current number of employees on your bakery's payroll? _____

How many are part-time? _____ How many are full-time? _____

6) Is your bakery covered by any of the following forms of insurance? (check all that apply)

- Property and Casualty Insurance
- Flood Insurance
- Business Interruption Insurance

7) What is the estimate of your bakery's losses? \$ _____

8) Is this a self-assessment or is it from an insurance adjuster? _____

(If from an insurance adjuster, please attach copies of the insurance documents.)

9) Please describe the damage.

(Please categorize by: Building/Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures, etc. If additional space is needed use a blank piece of paper. Insurance documents that clearly describe the damage may be submitted.)

10) Please list any specific equipment needs.

11) Summary of Request (Brief explanation of what financial assistance will be used for)

12) Other comments or relevant information (attach a separate sheet if necessary)

Submitted by

I certify that these funds will only be used as described in the application above and will not be used for any other purposes.

Signature

Date

Print name