Recovery At A Glance– Linn County Dec. 7, 2020

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(As of Dec. 4, 2020, unless otherwise noted)

- The Nov. 30 deadline to apply for FEMA disaster assistance has passed, but help is still available. Applicants should stay in touch with FEMA to keep their recovery on track. Missing or incorrect information could result in delays in receiving assistance.
- Survivors can stay in touch the following ways: Visit DisasterAssistance.gov; download the FEMA app; or call the FEMA Helpline at **800-621-3362** (TTY: 800-462-7585). Multilingual operators are available 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week.
- While the deadline to apply with FEMA has passed, late applications may be accepted on a case-by case basis.
- 91 individuals and households have been approved for $534,195 in federal grants through FEMA's Individuals and Households Program.
- More than $2.6 million in U.S. Small Business Administration low-interest disaster loans have been approved for 19 homeowners and renters and two businesses.

Housing Assistance:

- $426,650 in grants approved for housing repairs or replacement for 51 homeowners.
- $107,545 in grants have been approved for personal property, transportation and other disaster-related serious needs for 71 applicants.
- 252 home inspections have been issued with 99 percent completed.

Direct Temporary Housing

- Linn County has been approved to participate in FEMA's Direct Temporary Housing Program.
- Survivors do not apply for Direct Temporary Housing, rather FEMA will contact applicants who are eligible and meet the criteria established for the program.

- FEMA is contacting eligible survivors to determine their interest and explain the program. Based on the information provided by the applicant, FEMA determines the type of housing that will best meet the needs of each survivor's family.
- Assistance is available for up to 18 months from the date of the disaster declaration (Sept. 15, 2020 through March 15, 2022) while survivors work toward their long-term housing solution.