



# COUNTY OF SAGINAW

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Re: Saginaw County Local Declaration and Disaster Recovery  
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On Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, Saginaw County Board Chair Jack Tany signed a local emergency declaration related to the two tornadoes that impacted Saginaw County and the flooding caused by recent heavy rains.

A local emergency declaration activates the Saginaw County Emergency Operations Plan and formally notifies the State of Michigan that disaster-related issues exist in our county. This step also signals that we may request additional state assistance to support recovery efforts.

It's important to note that a local declaration does not provide direct funding to individuals or jurisdictions. Instead, it allows the county to make internal operational changes needed to support response and recovery.

### Damage Assessment Efforts

Today, teams will conduct in-person damage assessments in the Albee and Bridgeport Township areas affected by the tornadoes. Flood-related damage is more challenging to assess from the street because much of it occurs inside homes.

To help us understand the full scope of flood impacts, we are asking residents affected by flooding to complete a self-assessment survey. You can access the survey here: <https://arcg.is/10ab1j>. You may also scan the QR code included in this post.

Please answer as many questions as possible and, if you are able, upload several photos of the damage. This information is essential for determining community needs and supporting any potential requests for assistance.

### If You Need Help

Residents who need assistance completing the survey or have unmet disaster recovery needs related to flooding or the tornadoes can contact **211**.

Currently, there is no financial or clean-up assistance available. However, if such assistance becomes available, information from the damage assessment survey and 211 will be used to determine the level of need.



**Self-Reporting Damage Assessment QR Code**



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