

# UNITED WAY OF SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA FUNDING CRITERIA

## UWSWMN DISASTER ASSESSMENT GUIDE

<div><b><u>DESTROYED</u></b></div> <div><i>Home is a total loss</i></div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Waterline at roofline.</li><li>• Complete failure of two or more major structural components (collapse of basement walls, foundation, walls, or roof)</li><li>• Only foundation remains</li><li>• Residence has a confirmed imminent danger (impending landslides, mudslides, or sinkholes)</li></ul></div>	<div><b><u>MAJOR</u></b></div> <div><i>Home with structural damage or other significant damage that requires extensive repairs</i></div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Waterline above 18" or the electrical outlets in an essential living space.</li><li>• Waterline on first floor of a residence when basement is completely full.</li><li>• Failure or partial failure of structural elements of the roof over essential living spaces.</li><li>• Failure or partial failure of foundation, to include crumbling, bulging, collapsing, horizontal cracks of more than 2", and shifting of the residence of the foundation of more than 6"</li></ul></div>
<div><b><u>MODERATE</u></b></div> <div><i>Home with repairable non-structural damage</i></div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Waterline is 1-3" in an essential living space</li><li>• Any waterline in finished basement</li><li>• Damage to mechanical components (HVAC, water heater)</li><li>• Damage or disaster-related contamination to private well or septic system</li><li>• Nonstructural damage to interior wall components (drywall/insulation)</li><li>• 2 or more personal appliances damaged</li></ul></div>	<div><b><u>MINOR</u></b></div> <div><i>Home considered affected if damage is mostly cosmetic</i></div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Any waterline in the crawl space or an unfinished basement when essential living space or mechanical components are not damaged or submerged</li><li>• Cosmetic damage</li></ul></div> <div>The logo for United Way Southwest Minnesota, featuring a stylized yellow and blue circular emblem with a red figure inside, followed by the text "UNITED WAY Southwest Minnesota".</div>

*Essential Living Space: A regularly used area of the home—such as a bedroom, bathroom, kitchen, or living room—that requires repair to restore its intended function.*