

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Sept. 17, 2014

Contact: HSEMD Public Information Officer
515-725-3231 or HSEMDPIO@iowa.gov

Governor Branstad issues disaster proclamation for four counties

DES MOINES – Governor Terry E. Branstad today issued a proclamation of disaster emergency for four counties in response to recent severe weather.

Counties included in the proclamation are: **Adair, Guthrie, Ringgold, and Warren**. The Governor's proclamation allows state resources to be utilized to respond to and recover from the effects of severe weather and heavy rains on Sept. 9, 2014. In addition, the proclamation also activates the Iowa Individual Assistance Program for all four counties.

The Iowa Individual Assistance Program provides grants of up to \$5,000 for households with incomes up to 200 percent of the [federal poverty level](#), or a maximum annual income of \$39,580, for a family of three. Grants are available for home or car repairs, replacement of clothing or food, and for the expense of temporary housing. Original receipts are required for those seeking reimbursement for actual expenses related to storm recovery. The grant application and instructions are available on the [Iowa Department of Human Services website](#). Potential applicants have 45 days from the date of the proclamation to submit a claim.

###