



# 2018 Flood Damage Assessment

**The Watertown Fire Department and Jefferson County Emergency Management is attempting to gauge the level of damages received to private properties in the City and the surrounding area.**

**Wisconsin Emergency Management is attempting to determine if individual assistance will be authorized for Jefferson County for damage occurring between 8/17 and 9/5, 2018.**

**The chart below should help you determine if your property may qualify for assistance.**

**City residents should contact the Fire Department at 920-261-3610 by Thursday 9/13 if you have incurred any damage which may be considered. County residents should contact the Jefferson County Emergency Management Office at 920-674-7450**

Single or Multifamily Homes	Definition	Flood Examples
Affected	If the living unit or porch, carpet, garage, etc., was damaged, but in your judgment the living unit is still habitable.	Less than one foot of water in the basement or minor access problem.
Minor	The home is damaged and uninhabitable, but may be made habitable in a short period of time. Some of the items that determine minor damage are: 1. Can be repaired within 30 days. 2. Damage to structure is less than the maximum (\$5200, FY2005) 3. Has less than 50% damage to structure.	Less than two feet of water on the first floor (no basement) or 1 to 8 ft. in basement with no structural damage. <i>Note: If water has remained in structure for more than a day, more extensive damage may have occurred. Watch for foundation damage.</i>
Major	The home has sustained structural or significant damages, is uninhabitable, and requires extensive repairs. Any one of the following may constitute major damage: 1. Substantial failures to structural elements of the residence (eg walls, floors, foundation, etc.) 2. Damage to the structure that exceeds the maximum repair grant (\$5200, FY2005). 3. General exterior property damage that exceeds the maximum repair grant (eg private roads & bridges that are the only access to the home, wells, earth movement, and other imminent dangers). 4. Has more than 50% damage to structure. 5. Damage will take more than 30 days to repair.	Two or more feet of water on the first floor (no basement), structural damage or structural damage to the basement such as collapsed basement wall. <i>If water has remained in structure for more than a day, more extensive damage may have occurred. Watch for wall and foundation damage.</i>
Destroyed	The home is a total loss or damaged to such an extent that repairs are not economically feasible. Any one of the following may constitute a status of destroyed: 1. Structure is not economically feasible to repair. 2. Structure is permanently uninhabitable. 3. Complete failures to major components of structure (eg basement walls/foundation, walls, roof, etc.)	Not economically repairable for instance, pushed off the foundation. <i>Note: Depth, velocity and duration of water in and around the structure may have a significant impact on degree of damage.</i>