

# News Release



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## **Disaster Unemployment Assistance Available to Individuals Affected by Severe Storms and Flooding**

Individuals who have become unemployed as a direct result of the severe storms and flooding in Conway, Crawford, Faulkner, Jefferson, Perry, Pulaski, Sebastian, and Yell counties on May 21, 2019 and continuing may be eligible for Disaster Unemployment Assistance, according to Daryl Bassett, Director of the Arkansas Department of Workforce Services.

At the request of Gov. Asa Hutchinson, a federal disaster declaration was issued designating Conway, Crawford, Faulkner, Jefferson, Perry, Pulaski, Sebastian, and Yell counties as federal disaster areas. Among the different types of assistance available to individuals and households by the federal disaster declaration is DUA. Individuals who have temporarily lost jobs because of the disaster and do not qualify for regular unemployment insurance benefits (such as self-employed individuals) may be eligible for DUA, which provides unemployment benefits up to 28 weeks. The first possible week of compensation for DUA purposes is the week ending June 1, 2019, and the last possible week of compensation is the week ending December 7, 2019.

DUA claims may be filed at the following DWS offices:

Conway County	Russellville Local Office, 104 South Rochester Avenue	(479) 968-2784
Crawford County	Fort Smith Local Office, 616 Garrison Avenue, Room 101	(479) 783-0231
Faulkner County	Conway Local Office, 1500 N. Museum Road, Suite 111	(501) 730-9894
Jefferson County	Pine Bluff Local Office, 1001 South Tennessee Street	(870) 534-1920
Perry County	Conway Local Office, 1500 N. Museum Road, Suite 111	(501) 730-9894
Pulaski County	Little Rock Local Office, 5401 South University Jacksonville Local Office, #2 Crestview Plaza	(501) 682-8030 (501) 982-3835
Sebastian County	Fort Smith Local Office, 616 Garrison Avenue, Room 101	(479) 783-0231
Yell County	Russellville Local Office, 104 South Rochester Avenue	(479) 968-2784

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