



HANNER FUNERAL SERVICE

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FEMA COVID-19 Funeral Reimbursement Act

In response to the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Hanner Funeral Service will be facilitating our website to provide help to those affected by Covid-19 with assistance in applying for the reimbursement of funeral expenses. Congress authorized FEMA to provide financial assistance to individuals who incurred Covid-19 related funeral expenses after January 20, 2020.

The Covid-19 pandemic has brought overwhelming grief to many families. At Hanner Funeral Service, our mission is to help people through this time.

To apply you will need to call the number listed below starting April 12, 2021:

Covid-19 Funeral Assistance Line Number

**Applications begin on April 12, 2021
844-684-6333 | TTY: 800-462-7585**

**Hours of Operation:
Monday – Friday
8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Central Time**

The following things are what you will need to apply for reimbursement:

- **An official death certificate (copy is fine)** that attributes the death directly or indirectly to COVID-19 and shows that the death occurred in the United States, including the U.S. territories, and the District of Columbia.
- **Funeral expenses documents** (receipts, funeral home contract, etc.) that includes the applicant's name, the deceased person's name, the amount of funeral expenses, and the dates the funeral expenses happened.
- **Proof of funds received from other sources** specifically for use toward funeral costs. FEMA will not be able to duplicate benefits received from burial or funeral insurance, financial assistance received from voluntary agencies, government agencies, or other sources.

How are funds received:

If you are eligible for funeral assistance you will receive a check by mail, or funds by direct deposit, depending on which option you choose when you apply for assistance.

Now is the time for families to decide who the applicant and any co-applicants will be and to gather the documents they need to be reimbursed for expenses.

If applicants already received reimbursement for certain funeral expenses through government agencies, voluntary agencies, non-profits, burial or funeral insurance, they cannot resubmit those same expenses for reimbursement through this FEMA-administered program. If they received any outside assistance, they must include documentation of this assistance in their application. If they received financial assistance through the deceased's life insurance policy, they may still apply for reimbursement.

If you have any questions regarding this process, we at Hanner Funeral Service are here to help.