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Your story

Impact of the most major flood of Lismore on our family and many other families. Sunday night February 28 of the flood my youngest son his wife and son ring up and come to our home in Goonellabah at 1.00am. Then our eldest son and his partner arrive at 2.00am. Our third son stays at his home in South Lismore and is rescued of his roof by boat mid morning Monday He had a

traumatic time getting to east Lismore. He was picked up by eldest son 12.30 pm. We made our own recovery center at our home in Goonellabah. Geoff our eldest son is member of SES in the capabilities unit. He spent hours on phone and computer dealing with members and supporting the needs of the unit in Lismore and Woodburn. 3 homes were damaged. With inundation of flood waters. Not enough time to get personal items together. We are great full for the charities that set up food and clothing relief. It was very stressful during the cleanup Many people volunteered to help in the cleanup Now at almost the end of May there are still problems to be sorted. One in particular is the confusion with dealing with the grant process in proving they are genuine claims. Each day another hold up of some sort. Fortunately for Lismore the Southern Cross University has been used to assist in recovery and businesses to establish the banking Hub The City could not have survived with out it. The outcome for my sons is one was able to get new rental in Woolongbah Another son is camping in his home in south Lismore starting his renovation of his home and the other son is going to stay with up his parents until a suitable rental is available. His partner is slowly getting her unit refreshed for living in again. She suffers from nightmares of walking in knee deep water and facing the loss of all her belongings. I feel everything was done to the best as could be expected. Personally my place was for my family feeding and washing washing lots of muddy clothes that could be used again
THE FLOOD WAS CATESTROPHIC
And Recovery SLOW

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