CALIFORNIA STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE

California Wildfire Recovery Resource Guide









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The ongoing fires in Los Angeles County have devastated homes, schools, libraries, businesses, and entire communities. The State Treasurer's Office is committed to helping affected Californians and their businesses rebuild and recover. From financial assistance and insurance support to disaster recovery services and tax relief, this guide provides essential resources for individuals, families, and businesses impacted by the wildfires.

The descriptions of resources and programs in this guide are intended to provide general information only. This guide is not intended to be an exhaustive listing of resources that may be available to a person or business impacted by the wildfires. Additional resources may be available that better suit individual needs or circumstances. Readers are encouraged to conduct their own research and consult with relevant professionals or agencies to develop a thorough understanding of the scope of available resources and programs, and to determine the most appropriate solutions for their specific situations.

State Treasurer's Office Resources



California Capital Access Program (CalCAP) Supplemental Severely Affected Community (SAC) Contribution:

The credit enhancements for loans enrolled in CalCAP are eligible for supplemental contributions for borrowers whose businesses and properties are located in a SAC.

https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/cpcfa/calcap/index.asp



Sales and Use Tax Exclusion Program (STE):

Application fees will be waived, and applicants may receive 50 points in the STE application competitive criteria if the project is to relocate or rebuild the applicant's facility due to wildfires.

https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/caeatfa/ste/index.asp



Time Deposit Program:

Allows the State Treasurer's Office to make deposits with eligible California financial institutions, providing a stable source of funding while stimulating local economic growth through small businesses loans, home mortgages, and other lending. Affected banks should contact the STO Investments Division for more information.

https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/pmia-laif/timedeposits/index.asp



California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (CTCAC) and California Debt Limit Allocation Committee (CDLAC):

CTCAC

Projects previously awarded tax credits or tax-exempt bonds may experience delays in meeting construction financing closing deadlines or placed-in-service deadlines. Projects located in these areas would be eligible for extensions.



https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/ctcac/index.asp and https://www.treasurer.ca.gov/cdlac/index.asp



Individual Assistance



Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Disaster Assistance:

Provides money and services to help individuals and families recover from presidentially declared disasters, covering damage to homes, cars, and personal items. You may qualify for FEMA disaster assistance even if you have insurance. Apply for FEMA assistance at

https://www.disasterassistance.gov/



Unemployment Assistance:

If you lost your job due to the fires, you may qualify for: Unemployment Insurance, Disability Insurance, or Paid Family Leave benefits.

Disaster Unemployment Assistance: Available for workers and self-employed people who do not qualify for regular unemployment benefits.

https://edd.ca.gov/en/unemployment/Disaster_Unemployment_Assistance/



Disaster Recovery Centers:

Local, state, and federal support centers provide assistance for individuals and businesses impacted by wildfires.

https://www.fema.gov/locations/california#block-views-block-disaster-recovery-centers-block-2



211.org:

Comprehensive information on local resources and services. https://www.211.org/



State of California Resources for Californians Impacted by Los Angeles Fires:

Resources on how to get help, how to stay informed, and how to volunteer or donate to support fire victims.

https://www.ca.gov/LAfires/



Los Angeles County Emergency website:

Provides real time evacuation, shelter, and other information. https://lacounty.gov/emergency/



Shelters available in Los Angeles County:

https://news.caloes.ca.gov/shelters-available-for-communities-impacted-by-wildfires-in-los-angeles-county-2/



Individual Assistance Cont'd



Mutual Aid LA:

List of shelters, animal boarding sites, food, and donation drives. https://mutualaidla.org/



Airbnb Temporary Housing:

Free, temporary housing for people who have been displaced by the Los Angeles wildfires.

https://news.airbnb.com/airbnb-org-offers-temporary-housing-to-people-impacted-by-the-los-angeles-wildfires/



Vital Records

Los Angeles County residents directly impacted by fires can request property and vital records (i.e., birth, death, marriage) at no cost.

https://www.lavote.gov/home/records/birth-records/birth-records-request

Business & Nonprofit Assistance



U.S. Small Business Administration:

Low-interest loans for business damage.

https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance



Outsmart Disaster:

Resources for business disaster preparation and recovery. https://outsmartdisaster.calosba.ca.gov/



BusinessSource Centers:

Free one-on-one consultation, business and employment support, and assistance with applying for grants and microloans.

https://ewdd.lacity.gov/index.php/local-business/businesssource-centers



Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation:

Resources to assist businesses owners recover after wildfires.

https://laedc.org/planning-for-business-operations-after-natural-disasters/



Eaton Fire Relief and Recovery Fund:

Provides support to local nonprofits providing critical disaster-related services. https://pasadenacf.org/donate/



Volunteerism and Donations



California Volunteers:

Find volunteer opportunities across California. https://www.californiavolunteers.ca.gov/wildfire-recovery/



Philanthropy CA:

Donate to support disaster relief and long-term recovery. https://www.philanthropyca.org/

Legal Services



Disaster Legal Services (DLS):

Free legal help for wildfire victims.

https://www.disasterassistance.gov/get-assistance/forms-of-assistance/4464

Insurance Assistance



Insurance Support Workshops:

Free workshops to help fire victims navigate insurance policies, understand the claims process, and access recovery resources.

https://www.insurance.ca.gov/01-consumers/140-catastrophes/DRCs.cfm



California Department of Insurance Wildfire Resources:

https://www.insurance.ca.gov/01-consumers/140-catastrophes/WildfireResources.cfm



Top Ten Tips for Wildfire Insurance Claimants:

https://www.insurance.ca.gov/01-consumers/140-catastrophes/TopTenTips_WildfireClaimants.cfm



United Policyholders Insurance Claim and Recovery Help:

Free assistance for wildfire claimants.

https://uphelp.org/disaster-recovery-help/2025cawildfires/



Tax Relief



State & Federal Tax Relief:

Individuals and businesses in Los Angeles County are granted a postponement to file and pay 2024 state and federal tax returns until October 15, 2025. https://www.gov.ca.gov/2025/01/11/california-provides-tax-relief-for-those-affected-by-los-angeles-wildfires/



Payroll Tax Extension:

Two-month tax extension for state payroll reports and/or deposit payroll taxes for employers located Los Angels and Ventura Counties.

https://edd.ca.gov/en/payroll_taxes/emergency_and_disaster_assistance_for_employers



Sales & Use Tax and Fee Extension:

Three-month extension for sales & use tax and fee returns for Los Angeles County taxpayers. Relief and extensions beyond Los Angeles County are also available upon request.

https://www.cdtfa.ca.gov/services/state-of-emergency-tax-relief.htm



Disaster Loss Claims:

Claim disaster losses on state income tax returns. https://www.ftb.ca.gov/file/business/deductions/disaster-loss.html



Property Tax Relief:

The Los Angeles County Assessor's Office is granting property tax relief to property owners for property that has been damaged or its market value has declined due to the wildfires.

https://assessor.lacounty.gov/tax-relief/disaster-relief