

California Wildfires – Community Resources

January 8 2025

The following resources are intended to give you a starting point to find support and resources during this natural disaster.

Call 2-1-1 from your local calling area for up-to-date information regarding resources available for wildfire victims. To reach California 2-1-1, you can also text your zip code and need to 898-211.

Three wildfires are currently active, and zero percent contained in the Los Angeles areas of Pacific Palisades, Pasadena, and northern San Fernando areas. Thousands have evacuated from these areas. Strong winds are fueling these blazes and are interfering with containment efforts. In addition, there is a 15-acre fire burning but contained in the Coachella area of Riverside County (about 130 miles SE of downtown Los Angeles).

WARNING

DISASTER INFORMATION

Emergency Response Resources Quick Links:

(click on each link for additional information)

[Palisades Fire](#)

- Started around 10:30am on Tuesday, Jan 7, in Pacific Palisades
- Has already burned through almost 3,000 acres
- The fire is more than 3,000 acres in size.
- Stands at 0% containment.
- Evacuations for at least 30,000
- The city of Malibu warned that all residents should prepare to evacuate quickly as the fire has spread into the coastal community.

[Eaton Fire](#)

- Started around 6:30pm on Tuesday, Jan 7, in the Pasadena and Altadena areas
- Has affected 2,227 acres.
- Stands at 0% containment.
- Arcadia and Sierra Madre have also ordered evacuations in some of their northern neighborhoods.
- Prompted mandatory evacuations for some 52,000 residents and 21,000 structures, with additional evacuation warnings in place for another 47,000 residents.
- All schools within Pasadena Unified School District will be closed tomorrow, Wednesday, January 8, 2025

Hurst Fire

- Started around 10:30pm on Tuesday, Jan 7, in Sylmar, north of San Fernando.
- Has affected 500 acres.
- Stands at 0% containment.
- Approaching the nearby city of Santa Clarita
- Mandatory evacuations are in place for areas north of the 210 Freeway from Roxford to the Interstate 5/14 Freeway split.
- Evacuation order currently for Sylmar

Tyler Fire

- Started around 3:30am on Wednesday, Jan 8, in Riverside County at Tyler Street & 47th Avenue in Coachella, about 130 miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles.
- Has affected 15 acres.
- Stands at 100% containment.

Resources:

[California Office of Emergency Services](#)

[California Office of the Governor](#)

[California State and Local Referrals](#)

[California Statewide Wildfire Recovery Resources information](#)

[Inciweb – Incident Information System](#)

Find Your local Social Service County for disaster information: [County Offices](#)

CAL Fire

<https://www.fire.ca.gov/Incidents>

- Please click on the wildfire you are nearest to learn about evacuations, warnings, road closures, shelter information, large and small animal evacuation centers and more.
- Updates will be continued, check back regularly.

InciWeb – Incident Information Management System

<https://inciweb.wildfire.gov/>

- A national incident information system that provides fire news from specific incidents across the country.

(click on each link for additional information)

[Eaton Fire](#)

[Hurst Fire](#)

WEATHER ADVISORIES AND WARNINGS

- Check the FEMA Map for locations of wildfires near you or on your route: [USA Current Wildfires](#) | [FEMA Geospatial Resource Center](#)

EVACUATIONS

Palisades Fire

[Warnings](#) are in effect for the following zones:

- CAL-C405, CAL-C406, CAL-C407, CAL-C408, CAL-C409, CAL-C410, CAL-C411, CAL-C412, CAL-C413, CAL-C414, CAL-C415, DRY-U026, DRY-U026-B, MAL-C112, MAL-C112-A, MCR-U021-A, RMB-U030-C, SAN-Q1395-A, SAN-Q1396-A

Eaton Fire

[Orders](#) are in effect for the following zones:

- Zones ALD-EASTLOMA, ALD-EATONCANYON, ALD-GARFIAS, ALD-MENDOCINO, ALD-MIDLOTHIAN, ALD-MOUNTLOWE, ALD-RUBIO, ARC-001, ARC-002, ARC-004, KIN-KINNELOA, LAC-E183, PAS-E019, PAS-E022, SMD-E001, SMD-E002, SMD-E003, SMD-E004, SMD-E005, SMD-E006, SMD-E007, SMD-E008, SMD-E009, SMD-E010, SMD-E011, SMD-E012, SMD-E013, SMD-E014, SMD-E015, SMD-E016, SMD-E017, SMD-E019
- The area north of Orange Grove/Rosemead Blvd., east of Lake Ave., and west of Michillinda Ave

[Warnings](#) are in effect for the following zones:

- ARC-003, ARC-005, MRV-101, MRV-102, MRV-201, MRV-202, MRV-203, MRV-204, PAS-E014, PAS-E015, PAS-E016, PAS-E017, PAS-E018, PAS-E020, SMD-E018

Hurst Fire

[Orders](#) are in effect for the following zones:

- LAC-E119-B, LAC-E132-A, LAC-E132-B, LOS-E001

[Warnings](#) are in effect for the following zones:

- LAC-E131-B, LOS-Q0412, LOS-Q0449-B, SCL-CALGROVE, SCL-ETERNAL, SCL-NEWHALLPASS, SCL-WILDWOOD

Find Evacuations

[OAFN Web Map | California Governor's Office of Emergency Services](#)

Cal Fire

<https://www.fire.ca.gov/incidents/>

The Watch Duty App

<https://app.watchduty.org/>

- The Watch Duty app is a free, non-profit app that offers real-time wildfire information and alerts including evacuation zones, fire lines, red flag warnings, power outages and more.
- This app is for WA, OR, CA, NV, UT, AZ, WY, MT, CO, TX, OK, ID, HI, NM

(click on each link for additional information)

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[Tyler Fire](#)

SHELTER

American Red Cross Shelter Locator

https://maps.redcross.org/website/maps/arc_shelters.html

Palisades Fire Evacuation Shelters

Westwood Recreation Center

1350 South Sepulveda Blvd

Los Angeles, CA 90025

El Camino Real Charter High School

5440 Valley Circle Blvd

Woodland Hills, CA 91367

Pasadena Convention Center

300 E Green St, Pasadena, CA 91101

Animal Shelters

Los Angeles Equestrian Center
480 W Riverside Dr, Burbank, CA 91506

Pierce College Equestrian Center
7100 El Rancho Drive, Woodland Hills

Rose Bowl Stadium
1001 Rose Bowl Dr, Pasadena, CA 91103

Agoura Animal Care Center
29525 Agoura Rd, Agoura Hills, CA 91301

Pasadena Humane Society
361 S Raymond Ave, Pasadena, CA 91105

Eaton Fire Evacuation Shelters

El Camino Real Charter High School
5440 Valley Circle Blvd, Woodland Hills, CA 91367

Pasadena Convention Center
300 E Green St, Pasadena, CA 91101

Westwood Recreation Center
1350 S Sepulveda Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90025

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Hurst Fire Evacuation Shelters

Ritchie Valens Recreation Center
10736 Laurel Canyon Blvd
Pacoima, CA 91331

Northridge Park
10120 Reseda Blvd
Northridge, CA 91324

Sepulveda Recreation Center

8825 Kester Ave
Panorama City, CA 9140

PREPARE

DISASTER PREPARATION/EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Wildfire Preparedness:

Go! Evacuation Guide – Cal Fire

<https://readyforwildfire.org/prepare-for-wildfire/go-evacuation-guide/>

California Environment Protection Agency

[Emergency Response and Disaster Preparedness | CalEPA](#)

California's environmental agencies, coordinated by CalEPA, provide essential support during and after major wildfires. Key agencies and their roles include:

- **California Air Resources Board (CARB):** Conducts emergency air monitoring to assess smoke impact on air quality.
- **Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC):** Identifies and removes hazardous materials from burned areas, such as chemicals and hazardous waste.
- **CalRecycle:** Oversees the removal of wildfire debris and ash from affected areas.
- **State Water Resources Control Board:** Monitors water quality and ensures debris removal practices prevent contamination of water sources.

Wildfire Cleanup

- Post-fire cleanup is a multi-step process:
- **Hazardous Material Removal:** DTSC handles hazardous waste and materials from homes damaged by fire.
- **Ash and Debris Removal:** After hazardous materials are cleared, CalRecycle takes charge of debris cleanup to ensure safety and environmental protection.

Health and Safety

- **Air Quality:** Wildfire smoke contains harmful particles, posing health risks. California residents are urged to follow air quality advisories and stay indoors during smoke events. Special guidance is available for children, pets, and workers.
- **Protecting Health:** Resources on protecting against wildfire smoke, ash, and heat are provided for residents, schools, and health professionals.

Fire Recovery Assistance

- **Cleanup Resources:** Residents in burned areas can access state resources for hazardous material removal and debris cleanup.
- **Water Safety:** In the aftermath of fires, boil water orders may be issued if water systems are damaged.
- **Insurance & Financial Assistance:** Various state agencies, including the California Department of Insurance and the Franchise Tax Board, offer guidance on insurance claims and tax relief for disaster recovery.

Animal Care and Disposal

- The **UC Davis Veterinary Emergency Response Team** provides animal care during disasters, and guidelines for proper animal disposal are available.

Preparedness

- **Wildfire Preparedness:** CalEPA emphasizes the importance of early preparation, including downloading wildfire apps, creating an evacuation plan, and staying informed through official channels.
- For more information, agencies offer detailed resources on air quality, wildfire smoke protection, debris removal, and health precautions during fire recovery.

Build your emergency kit

[Build Your Own Go-Kit – Project Wildfire](#)

Create an emergency plan

[Wildfire Safety | American Red Cross](#)

Sign up for [local weather alerts](https://www.weather.gov/wrn/wea): <https://www.weather.gov/wrn/wea>

Check Emergency Alerts

<https://calalerts.org/signup.html>

Visit Ready.gov for WildFire Preparation Tips

[Wildfires | Ready.gov](#)

SHELTER

Find Shelter

[OAFN Web Map | California Governor's Office of Emergency Services](#)

Red Cross Shelter Locator:

<https://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/find-an-open-shelter.html>

What to Bring:

- Supplies: disaster supply kit, including a battery-powered radio, flashlight, batteries, can opener
- Clothing: A change of clothes, sturdy shoes or boots, rain gear
- Medications: Prescription drugs, glasses, and any other medications needed
- Hygiene items: Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, feminine supplies
- Documents: Important documents like insurance policies, driver's license, Social Security card, bank account records
- Cash: Cash, traveler's checks, change
- Comfort items: Blankets, pillows, books, games, or cards
- Special items for children: Diapers, formula, toys
- Special items for family members: Oxygen, walker, other equipment

PETS

Pet-Friendly Hotel Locator:

<https://www.petswelcome.com/>

Go Pet Friendly

<https://www.gopetfriendly.com/>

- Find pet friendly motels and hotels to evacuate, some shelters will not allow pets

North Valley Animal Disaster Group

<https://www.nvadg.org/>

- Learn how to be ready to evacuate with your pets now: <https://www.nvadg.org/how-to-be-ready-to-evacuate-with-pets/>
- During large disasters, Temporary Animal Shelter may be set up to assist evacuated residents with their animals. However, we do not have permanent facilities for housing animals. Local animal shelters often provide support during these times. Please contact the shelter in your area for assistance.
 - Chico: Butte Humane Society: (530) 343-7917
 - Gridley/Biggs: Animal Shelter: (530) 846-5678 | (530) 846-4825

- Oroville City: Animal Enforcement-Shelter-Northwest-SPCA: (530) 533-7636
- Paradise: Animal Control: (530) 872-6275
- Ventura County Animal Services: 1-888-223-PETS

TRAVEL

Caltrans - Travel Alerts, Road Closures, & Commuter Notices

<https://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/>

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) - Flight Delays

<https://www.fly.faa.gov/flyfaa/swmap.jsp>

Check Status of State Parks

[Find a California State Park](#)

Airlines Fee-Free Flight Changes

“New federal rules that went into effect on October 28, 2024 require airlines to automatically issue refunds for canceled or significantly changed flights. These rules apply to flights to, from, or within the United States, and apply to both foreign and domestic carriers.” -- U.S. Department of Transportation

[FlightAware](#) (online flight tracking): <https://www.flightaware.com/>

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA): <https://nasstatus.faa.gov/map>

AFTERMATH

DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Guide to Disaster Assistance Services for Californians

<https://baylegal.org/wp-content/uploads/DisasterAssistanceGuideforCaliforniansFinal.pdf>

- This guide provides detailed information about the types of federal, state and local disaster assistance services available in California.

Disaster Recovery Center (DRC)

<https://egateway.fema.gov/ESF6/DRCLocator>

- Find a DRC near you by address or zipcode, DRC will help you apply for assistance, learn more about disaster programs and resources, find housing and more.
- DRC do pop up events, check frequently or your local news channels of when they plan to visit your area.
- Or text **DRC** and your **ZIP code** to **43362**. Example: *DRC 01234*. (Standard text message rates apply.)

California Contractors

<https://www2.cslb.ca.gov/onlineservices/checklicenseII/checklicense.aspx>

- Avoid scams by finding a licensed contractor to help with your post-natural disaster needs

Price Gouging

<https://www.caloes.ca.gov/office-of-the-director/policy-administration/legal-affairs/price-gouging/>

- Report price gouging by calling (800) 952-5225 or file a complaint with the Attorney General's Office

California Department of Justice

<https://oag.ca.gov/consumers/pricegougingduringdisasters>

Anyone who has been the victim of price gouging, or who has information regarding potential price gouging, is encouraged to immediately file a complaint with the Attorney General's Office by going to the Attorney General's website or by calling (800) 952-5225.

Wifi hotspots: <https://www.xfinity.com/learn/internet-service/wifi/hotspot-map-mobile>

FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency)

<https://www.fema.gov/>

- Apply online at <https://www.disasterassistance.gov/>
- Apply or check for status updates by calling 1-800-621-3362

American Red Cross – Chapter Locator

<https://www.redcross.org/find-your-local-chapter.html>

- Call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) - 24 hours a day
- Find volunteers near you handing out water, food, disaster clean up and more.

The Salvation Army

<https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usn/>

- Provides temporary assistance for families in need

Samaritan's Purse

<https://www.facebook.com/SamaritansPurse>

- Responses to tornados, fires, hurricanes, and flooding. Stay up to date on where they will be visiting to provide clean up assistance, debris removal, temporary roof tarping, and more.
- Call 833-747-1234

United Methodist Committee on Relief

<https://www.facebook.com/UMCOR>

- The United Methodist church will supply personal protective equipment when community is ready
- Follow their social media for updates and your local California-Pacific conference UMC:
<https://www.facebook.com/UMCcalpac>

Disaster Legal Assistance

<https://disasterlegalservicesca.org/>

- 888-383-4306

RECOVERY RESOURCES

The Department of Insurance

https://interactive.web.insurance.ca.gov/apex_extprd/f?p=450:50

- Enter your zipcode to find out if your home is insured.
- ALE: Your insurance may help with evacuation and relocation costs under Additional Living Expenses Coverage
- California Department of Insurance: call 1-800-927-4357

Insurance Discounts for Firewise USA Designated Communities

[Firewise Insurance Discounts for California Residents](#)

- California has enacted "Safer from Wildfires" regulations requiring insurance companies to offer discounts to property owners in Firewise USA® designated communities.
- The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) processes Firewise USA applications.
- United Policyholders offers [free guidance](#)
- Contact the [California Department of Insurance](#) for information on state insurance regulations.

CTA Disaster Relief Fund

<https://www.ctamemberbenefits.org/drf>

- Financial assistance to California Teachers Association (CTA) members who experiences significant loss due to natural or other disasters in CA.
- (650) 552-5200

FOOD

Department of Social Services Food Banks

<https://www.cdss.ca.gov/food-banks>

- Food banks across California distribute United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) commodities to eligible individuals and households within their service areas. To qualify for these commodities, recipients must live in the service area and meet specific income guidelines. A list of food programs offering assistance is available below for those seeking help.

Cash Aid and Food Assistance

<https://calfresh.dss.ca.gov/food/officelocator/>

- **CalWORKs** is a public assistance program offering cash aid and services to eligible families with children. It is operated by county welfare departments.
- **CalFresh** provides monthly food benefits on an EBT card, which can be used to buy most foods at grocery stores and farmers markets.

How to Apply for CalFresh:

- **Online:** Apply in 15 minutes at [GetCalFresh.org](https://getcalfresh.org)
- **By Phone:** Call 1-877-847-3663 (FOOD)
- **In Person:** Find your local office here
- For more information, visit [CalFreshFood.org](https://calfreshfood.org) or [CDSS CalFresh page](https://cdss.ca.gov/CalFresh/Pages/default.aspx).

If You Need a CalFresh Benefit Replacement:

- If food bought with CalFresh benefits was spoiled due to power outages or destroyed by fire, you can request a replacement.
- **To Request a Replacement:** Call 1-877-847-3663 (FOOD) or visit your local county office.
- **Form:** Complete and submit the 'CF 303' form with details about the loss, including the time and date of the power outage.
- **Deadline:** Submit your request within **30 days** of the incident (extended due to widespread outages and fires).

MENTAL HEALTH

Mountain Fire Information & Resources

<https://vchca.org/behavioral-health/2024/11/06/mountain-fire-information-resources/>

Red Cross – Recovering Emotionally After A Disaster

<https://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/recovering-emotionally.html>

Resources:

- [Disaster Survivors – 988 Lifeline](#)

- [Coping with a Disaster or Traumatic Event](#)
- [When Terrible Things Happen – What You May Experience](#)
- [Tips for Survivors of a Disaster or Other Traumatic Event](#)

Psychological First Aid

- [Tips for Adults](#)
- [Parent Tips for Helping School-Age Children after Disasters](#)

Primeros Auxilios Psicológicos:

- [Consejos para adultos](#)
- [Consejos para que los padres ayuden a los niños de edad escolar después de un desastre](#)
- [Cómo cuidarse y cuidar a su familia después de un desastre](#)
- [Consejos para sobrevivientes de un desastre u otro evento traumático](#)
- [Cuando pasan cosas terribles: lo que puede experimentar](#)

Emotional Support and Counseling

<https://www.vcoe.org/fire>

- **Helping Children After a Wildfire: Tips for Parents and Teachers** from the National Association of School Psychologists - [English](#) | [Spanish](#)
- **Parent Guidelines for Helping Children Impacted by Wildfires** from the National Child Traumatic Stress Network - [English](#) | [Spanish](#)
- **Helping Children Cope** (categorized by age group) from [Ready.gov](#)
- **Listen, Protect, Connect** - Psychological First Aid from Ready.gov
- [For Students and Teachers](#) | [Quick Reference for Teachers](#) | [Full Teacher Guidelines](#)
- [For Children and Parents](#)
- [Family to Family, Neighbor to Neighbor](#)
- **Help Kids Cope Phone App** from the National Child Traumatic Stress Network - [Android](#) | [Apple iOS](#)
- **Ventura County Mental Health Crisis Line** - 866-998-2243
- **Free Downloadable Children's Book** - Trinko and Sam, The Big Fire
[English](#) | [Spanish](#)

POWER OUTAGES

Outage Maps:

Southern California Edison – Outage Status Check

<https://www.sce.com/outage-center/check-outage-status>

PG&E (Northern & Central California)

<https://pgealerts.alerts.pge.com/outage-tools/outage-map/>

Air Quality

Air Quality Data Map

<https://www.airnow.gov/>

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Search local news channels as they sometimes update school closure information as well.

Ventura County Office of Education

<https://www.vcoe.org/>

- Find school closure information here and upcoming supportive resources

PEOPLE LOCATOR

Red Cross – Find Family and Friends

<https://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/contact-and-locate-loved-ones.html>

- Call 1-844-782-9441
- If you don't have internet access, call **1-866-GET-INFO (438-4636)** or text **SAFE to 78876** to register yourself and your family.
 - 24/7 toll-free number for the American Red Cross
 - Providing the location of emergency shelters and feeding sites
 - Registering callers on the Safe and Well Website
 - Reporting missing persons
 - Providing prescription assistance

HOW TO HELP

Donate

[Click Here](#) to donate to the Disaster Relief Assistance Fund.

California Fire Foundation – Ways to Give: <https://cpf.salsalabs.org/cff-donation/index.html>

California Community Foundation – Wildfire Recovery Fund:

<https://www.calfund.org/wildfirerecoveryfund/>

Salvation Army – Southern CA Wildfires: <https://give-sc.salvationarmy.org/give/618383/#!/donation/checkout>

Global Giving – CA Wildfire Relief Fund: <https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/california-wildfire-relief-fund/>

Go Fund Me – CA Wildfire Relief: <https://www.gofundme.com/c/act/wildfire-relief/california>

American Red Cross – Wildfire Relief: <https://www.redcross.org/about-us/our-work/disaster-relief/wildfire-relief.html>

Volunteer

<https://www.californiavolunteers.ca.gov/wildfires>

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