

Disaster Recovery Center checklist

LA Fires 2025

Use this checklist to find the resources you need at this center. This checklist covers the most common services.

Tables are organized by department.

Health

There may be onsite medical services at the center.

- ☐ Find out how to stay healthy during a wildfire – California Department of Public Health (CDPH)

Housing

- ☐ Get help with housing – LA County 211
- ☐ Find temporary housing – LA County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS)
- ☐ Get help with housing protections – LA County Department of Consumer & Business Affairs (DCBA)
 - Price gouging
 - Housing and tenant protections
 - Foreclosure prevention

Social services

- ☐ Get help with child support questions – LA County Child Support Services Department (CSSD)
- ☐ Get VA benefits – California Veterans Affairs (CalVet)

Individual assistance

- ☐ If you qualified for individual assistance from FEMA, you may be eligible for additional financial support – California Department of Social Services (CDSS)

Replace your personal documents

- ☐ Replace your birth, death, and marriage certificates (fees waived) – California Department of Public Health (CDPH)
- ☐ Replace your identity and car documents – Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)
 - Car registration and titles
 - Driver's licenses and ID cards
- ☐ Get or replace manufactured and mobilehome (MH-unit) documents – Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)
 - Registration and title
 - Salvage certificates
- ☐ Replace your property records – LA County Registrar Recorder/County Clerk
- ☐ Replace income tax documents – Franchise Tax Board (FTB)
- ☐ Replace military service records – California Veterans Affairs (CalVet)

Insurance claims

- ☐ Get help with insurance claims – Department of Insurance (CDI)
 - Handling delays
 - Living expenses
 - Underinsurance disputes
- ☐ If you had a California Veterans Affairs (CalVet) home loan, file a fire damage claim – CalVet

Employment

- ☐ If you can't work due to the fires, apply for benefits – Employment Development Department (EDD)
 - State and federal unemployment and disability insurance benefits
 - Employer payroll tax extension
 - Job opportunities and training

Taxes

- ☐ Get help with taxes – Franchise Tax Board (FTB)
 - Income tax extensions and filing assistance
 - Copies of tax documents
 - Address updates

Rebuilding help

For help with rebuilding, go to a One-Stop Permit Center. Find your nearest center at recovery.lacounty.gov/rebuilding/one-stop-permit-centers/

Business help

- ☐ Get help with business taxes – California Department of Tax and Fee Administration (CDTFA)
 - Sales and use tax
 - Extension to file returns
 - Relief from interest and penalties
- ☐ Get business income tax relief and filing extensions – Franchise Tax Board (FTB)
- ☐ Get employer payroll tax extensions – Employment Development Department (EDD)
- ☐ Replace your business records – LA County Registrar Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC)
- ☐ Get help for businesses – LA County Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)
 - Small business assistance
 - Grants
 - Worker development programs

Go to ca.gov/LAfires for the latest information, including Disaster Recovery Center locations.