

## **Letter: Are the medically disabled useless people to Berkeley?**

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**Byline:** Letters To The Editor

**Highlight:** Berkeley tweeted that people who needed electronic medical equipment during outages were on their own.

### **Body**

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Re: "[Berkeley blasted for tweet telling medically disabled to use 'own resources' during power outage](#)" (Eastbaytimes.com, Oct. 10):

I am blind and have additional disabilities. I read the article about the city of Berkeley's tweet about finding one's own resources if a person with a medical need has to use electronic equipment during the outages.

This is the same place that started the independent living movement and disability rights.

What is the city of Berkeley doing to help those most vulnerable human beings or do they think we are useless people?

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Marianne Haas Berkeley

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