

# Disaster Recovery Center checklist

## LA Fires 2025

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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 information

There may be onsite medical services here.

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

### Food

There may be food and beverages at the center.

- Get food benefits for women and children (WIC) – California Department of Public Health (CDPH)
- Get food benefits – California Department of Social Services (CDSS)
  - Sign up for CalFresh or get help replacing food lost in the fires
  - Find a food bank in your area

### School and government closures

- Find out what's open and closed – LA County 211

### Individual Assistance (FEMA)

- Apply for money and other services – FEMA. You can get help with:
  - Housing
  - Funds for repairs
  - Legal services
- If you qualify for 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)
  - Driver’s license and ID cards
  - Car registration and car title
- Get or replace manufactured and mobile home documents – Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)
  - Registration and title
  - Salvage certificates
- Replace income tax documents – Franchise Tax Board (FTB)

## 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)
  - Unemployment
  - Federal Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)
  - Disability Insurance

## Taxes

- Get personal income tax relief and filing extensions – Franchise Tax Board (FTB)

## Rebuilding help

- Get help hiring contractors and tips on rebuilding – Contractors State Licensing Board (CSLB)

## Business taxes

- 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)

Go to [ca.gov/LAfires](https://ca.gov/LAfires) for the latest information, including Disaster Recovery Center locations.