

West Coast Wildfires: California, Oregon, Washington & Canada

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California Resources

California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES)

Cal OES is responsible for overseeing and coordinating emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and homeland security activities within the state of California. Cal OES regularly dispatches team members to join first responders, emergency leaders and those affected by disasters that threaten public safety, to tell their stories and provide information essential to the public. To get preparedness resources visit the website [here](#).

Get updates on Cal OES social media sites:

- [Twitter](#)
- [Facebook](#)

California Wildfires Statewide Recovery Resources (CA.GOV)

To find statewide wildfire response resources such as current Incidents, Shelter/Housing, Transportation Impacts and Air Quality Resources, please visit the Wildfire Response Resource page [here](#).

For statewide recovery resources such as Local Assistance, Services , Debris Removal, Housing, Financial Assistance and Local Assistance Centers visit the Statewide Wildfire Recovery Resource page [here](#).

California Community Foundation (Wildfire Relief Fund)

The Wildfire Relief Fund is designed to assist residents in the aftermath of a disaster. Immediate needs for victims can include shelter, food, cash, and other basic needs. Recovery is often more complex and depends on the scope of the disaster and an affected community's specific context and needs. For these reasons, the California Community Foundation's Wildfire Relief Fund supports both immediate disaster relief and long-term recovery efforts for those affected by California wildfires. For more information, visit their website [here](#).

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Cal Fire

The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection serves and safeguards the people and protects the property and resources of California. The statewide fire map can be found [here](#).

The California Incidents Overview provides information on active fires including evacuation orders for all impacted counties. To get a list of active fires and evacuation orders listed by county, visit the daily report [here](#).

The American Red Cross

The American Red Cross is one member of the local, state, and federal disaster response community. During a disaster, the Red Cross provides shelter, food, emotional support, health services, clean-up supplies and comfort items. Visit the link below for the regional chapters to find county specific contact numbers.

Bay Area Region

Central California Region

Gold Country Region

Northern California Coastal Region

Southern California Region

Los Angeles Metro

To find open shelters via the American Red Cross please visit their website [here](#).

Their Safe and Well website provides a central location for people in disaster areas to register their status, and for their loved ones to access that information. Visit the Safe and Well website [here](#).

2-1-1 California

2-1-1 operates nationwide and connects callers to human service information. This service operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week, even during disasters. Information and resources may be provided for a variety of needs including shelter, cell phone power stations, rent/utility assistance, and disaster response programs. Dial 211 from your phone

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to speak with a trained information and referral specialist. Calls are routed to service centers based on your geographic location. You can also call 877-355-8922 or visit their [website](#) to obtain a list of local resources.

California Department of Insurance

The California Department of Insurance offers resources to help wildfire victims. For information on claims and loss management, residential property claims guide and a home inventory guide, please visit their website [here](#).

CapRadio - Evacuations

CapRadio follows the fires in California and provides up to date information on evacuations. For fire updates, please visit their [website](#).

California Fire Foundation

This organization provides emotional and financial assistance to families of fallen firefighters, firefighters, and the communities they protect. To learn more, visit their [website](#).

Oregon Resources

Oregon Office of Emergency Management (OEM)

OEM is responsible for overseeing and coordinating emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and homeland security activities. This agency regularly dispatches team members to join first responders, emergency leaders and those affected by disasters that threaten public safety, to tell their stories and provide information essential to the public. To get preparedness resources visit the website [here](#).

The [Oregon Wildfire Response and Recovery](#) site provides information on county alerts, evacuation status, Temporary Evacuation Points (TEPs), donations, transportation and travel, air quality, state park/forest closures and wildfire cleanup efforts.

Wildfire updates and executive orders can be found by visiting the State of Oregon Newsroom website [here](#).

American Red Cross of Northwest Oregon

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health services, clean-up supplies and comfort items. For more information, visit the American Red Cross of Northwest Oregon website [here](#).

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Oregon Division of Financial Regulation

This agency offers information on claims and loss management along with residential property claims. To learn more, visit their [website](#).

The agency also has a list of Wildfire Insurance resources for homeowners available on their website [here](#).

Real-time Assessment and Planning Tool for Oregon (RAPTOR)

This resource connects Oregonians to evacuation alerts, evacuation maps, and weather warnings. More information can be located on the [website](#).

Oregon Department of Transportation

Learn about possible road closures and hazards in your area by visiting their [website](#).

Wildfire Damage Housing Relief

This program helps low-income Oregonians rebuild after a wildfire. To apply for up to \$7,000 in assistance, applicants must have had damage or loss to their primary residence due to a wildfire and residence is considered uninhabitable unless repaired or replaced. Applicants must have an income that is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

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Applicants must provide documentation of loss, proof of homeownership and proof of household income. To learn more, visit their [website](#).

Washington Resources

Washington Office of Emergency Management (WOEM)

This office is responsible for overseeing and coordinating emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and homeland security activities. The WOEM regularly dispatches team members to join first responders, emergency leaders and those affected by disasters that threaten public safety, to tell their stories and provide information essential to the public. To get preparedness resources visit the website [here](#).

The [Washington Wildfire Resources](#) site provides information on wildfire status, shelter and housing, state and federal resources, and updates from Governor Inslee's office.

American Red Cross of Greater Inland Northwest

The American Red Cross is one member of the local, state, and federal disaster response community. During a disaster, the Red Cross provides shelter, food, emotional support, health services, clean-up supplies and comfort items. For more information, visit the website [here](#).

To find open shelters via the American Red Cross please visit their website [here](#).

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Washington Department of Transportation

Learn about possible road closures, traffic alerts, and general road hazards in your area by visiting their [website](#).

Office of the Insurance Commissioner

Anyone with [questions about insurance coverage](#) related to wildfires can call the Office of the Insurance Commissioner (OIC) at 1-800-562-6900 to speak with experts. OIC has tips for [filing a claim](#) after a natural disaster and information for [homeowners about wildfires and their insurance](#).

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Canadian Wildfire Information System

You may view the [National Wildland Fire Situation Report](#) for information on current wildfire conditions, maps, weather, and data services throughout Canada.

Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre

The Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre is a not-for-profit corporation that helps coordinate resource sharing, mutual aid, and information related to wildfires. You may find information on active wildfires by visiting their website [here](#).

Fire Smart Canada

Fire Smart Canada is a program of the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre. Their website includes resources for homeowners on ways to protect your home from wildfires. You may also request a Home Assessment which is a voluntary property assessment program that helps residents identify specific actions they can take on their property to reduce wildfire risks. For more information, visit their website [here](#).

Canadian Red Cross

During a disaster, the Canadian Red Cross provides shelter, food, emotional support, health services, clean-up supplies and comfort items. For more information, visit the website [here](#). You will find links to local Red Cross agencies in each Canadian Province. You may also donate to the relief fund for the 2021 British Columbia fires.

National Resources

SAMHSA's Disaster Distress Helpline

This helpline, through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), can provide immediate crisis counseling to anyone who is experiencing emotional distress related to any natural or human-caused disaster. The help line is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at (800) 985-5990. You can also reach them via text message by texting "TalkWithUs" to 66746. You can find more information online [here](#).

Airbnb

Airbnb provides temporary housing options and some areas have liberalized services. Learn more by visiting their [website](#).

National Weather Service

Updated information on current weather conditions can be found [here](#).

Ready.Gov

This website provides emergency updates, disaster preparedness tips and resources. You can sign up to receive emergency updates on your cell phone or download an app for updates. The Ready.Gov site also provides links to local city and county Emergency Management Departments. For more information, please visit the [Ready.gov](#) website.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

- Visit the FEMA website for information [here](#).
- Find open shelters near you by texting SHELTER and your zip code to 4FEMA (43362). Example: Shelter 01234. (Standard text message rates apply.)
- To Register for FEMA Disaster Assistance:
Online: www.disasterassistance.gov
Phone: 800-621-3362, TTY 800-462-7585
- FEMA tips on how to find short term and long term housing after a disaster can be found [here](#).

Rebuilding After a Fire

- FEMA offers a fact sheet on Rebuilding after a Wildfire which can be found [here](#).

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- Insurance information on wildfires can be found on the Insurance Information Institute website [here](#).
- Free Legal Advice offers information on Fire Insurance: Rebuilding Your Home after a Fire, which can be found [here](#).

CARe Inc.

- CARe is short for Community Assisting Recovery. Their mission is to provide free comprehensive information about disaster recovery, including the insurance claim process, to disaster survivors so they may effectively reestablish their homes and communities.
- All CARe volunteers and staff have lost their homes and successfully recovered from fire or earthquake disasters. They understand the needs of disaster survivors. It is the passion for "paying it forward" that draws survivors back to our organization to help survivors of the next disaster. To learn more about their services, please visit their [website](#).

This guide provides referrals to resources. It does not endorse or recommend the resource providers. While every effort is made to maintain current provider information, information may change without notice.

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