Wildfire Resource Guide

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National Resources

211 United Way

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 cellphone to speak with a trained information and referral specialist. Calls are routed to service centers based on your geographic location. You may also search online for resources or find the local number for your local 211 service center by visiting their website.

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. To find your local Red Cross, visit the American Red Cross website **here**.

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.

<u>Airbnb</u>

Airbnb provides temporary housing options after a natural disaster occurs. Learn more by visiting their website.

National Weather Service

Updated information on current weather conditions can be found here.

Ready.Gov

Ready.gov is a national public service campaign designed to educate and empower Americans to prepare, respond and mitigate emergencies including natural and man-made disasters. For preparedness resources and information on staying safe during and after a wildfire, visit their website here.

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 <u>here</u>.

Rebuilding After a Fire

- FEMA offers a fact sheet on Rebuilding after a Wildfire which can be found here.
- 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 <u>here</u>.

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.

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.

SAMHSA Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator

Visit the website here.

This line is available 24 hours/day and 7 days/week. The Behavioral Health Treatment Services Locator provides information and a search tool for behavioral health and substance abuse/addiction services in the United States and U.S. Territories. You can access the free and confidential treatment provider search tool using the link listed above. After completing the search criteria, you can view a list of treatment providers and detailed information about each provider.

You may also call (800) 662-4357 to receive free and confidential information about mental health and substance abuse treatment services in your area.

Ways to Search for State and local News and Resources

- Search on your State's Governor's Website for any official announcements or press releases
- Search on your State's Department of Emergency Management website for emergency preparedness plans, safety resources and emergency updates
- Search on your local town or sheriff's department website for any local disaster resource plans and updates in your local area

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