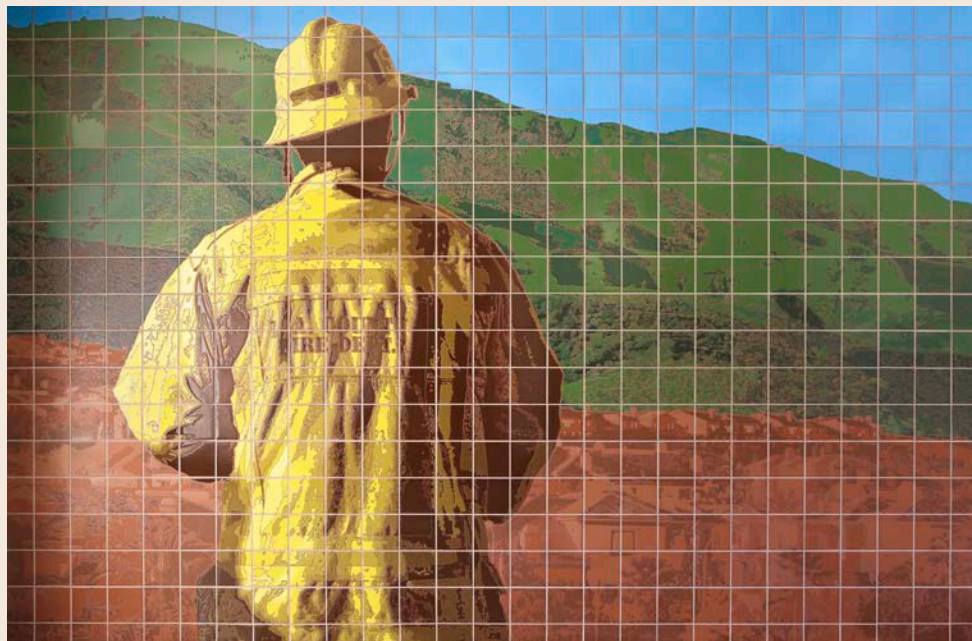


Welcome

LA County Arts and Culture Forum: Wildfire Response & Resources



Keeping Watch by Steve Farley,
Santa Clarita's Fire Station 150.
LA County Civic Art Collection

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February 4, 2025 | 9:30-11:30 am PST



Kristin Sakoda
Director,
Los Angeles County
Department of Arts and Culture



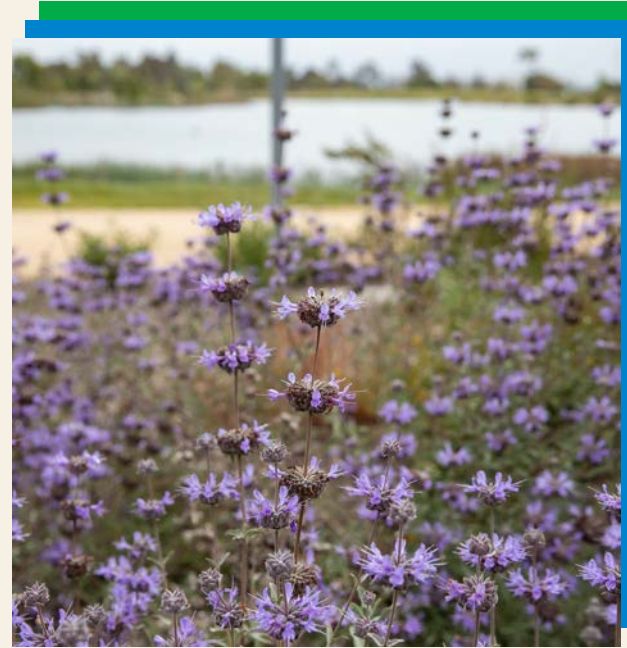
The Mural Conservation Apprenticeship Project
at City Terrace Park, which restored artist
Paul Botello's *Inner Resources* mural.
Photo by Andrés Vázquez.

Land Acknowledgement

The County of Los Angeles recognizes that we occupy land originally and still inhabited and cared for by the Tongva, Tataviam, Serrano, Kizh, and Chumash Peoples. We honor and pay respect to their elders and descendants past, present, and emerging as they continue their stewardship of these lands and waters. We acknowledge that settler colonization resulted in land seizure, disease, subjugation, slavery, relocation, broken promises, genocide, and multigenerational trauma. This acknowledgment demonstrates our responsibility and commitment to truth, healing, and reconciliation and to elevating the stories, culture, and community of the original inhabitants of Los Angeles County. We are grateful to have the opportunity to live and work on these ancestral lands. We are dedicated to growing and sustaining relationships with Native peoples and local tribal governments, including (in no particular order) the:

Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians
Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council
Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians
Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians - Kizh Nation
San Manuel Band of Mission Indians
San Fernando Band of Mission Indians

To learn more about the First Peoples of Los Angeles County, please visit the Los Angeles City/County Native American Indian Commission website at: lanaic.lacounty.gov

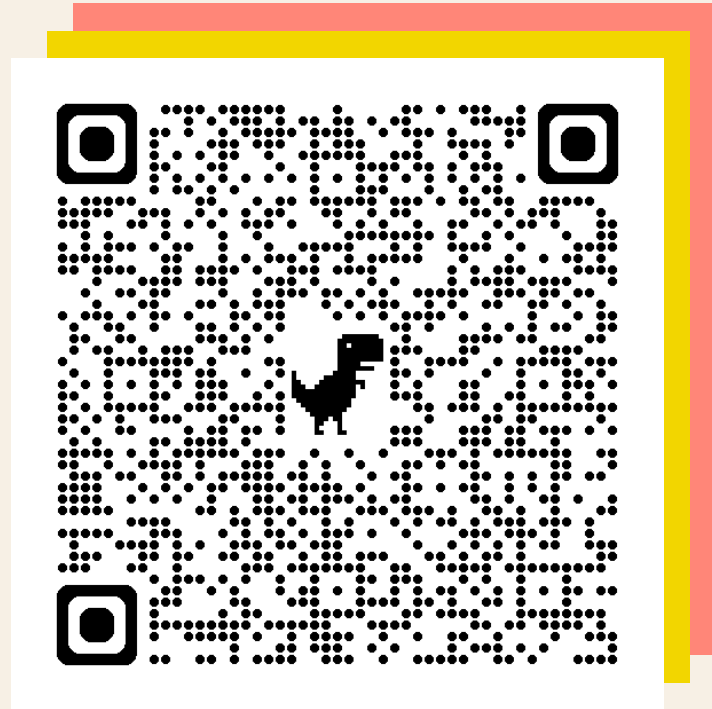


Agenda

- Welcome & Remarks from Director Kristin Sakoda
- Message from Board of Supervisors Chair, Kathryn Barger
- Land Acknowledgment
- Agenda and Housekeeping
- **A Word from Municipal and State Leadership**
California Arts Council & Cities of Los Angeles, Pasadena, and Santa Monica
- **Presentations**
FEMA
LA County Department of Economic Opportunity
Center for Cultural Innovation
Entertainment Community Fund
California Lawyers for the Arts
Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF+)
Inevitable Foundation
Arts for LA
LA County Department of Arts and Culture
- Close

Housekeeping

- Forum participants can ask questions in the Q&A section of the Zoom
- The chat feature will be turned off
- This forum will be recorded
- After the event, we will post the recording, and these slides, on our **Recovery Resources** page (QR code to right)
- Post-event questions? Email communications@arts.lacounty.gov



Speakers

State & Municipal Agencies

Danielle Brazell

Executive Director
California Arts Council

Daniel Tarica

General Manager
City of Los Angeles, Department of Cultural Affairs

Rochelle Branch

Cultural Affairs Division Manager
City of Pasadena

Sofia Klatzker

Cultural Affairs Manager
City of Santa Monica



Matt Doolin, detail from *Tapestry of Dreams*, 2014,
Fire Station 71, Malibu.
LA County Civic Art Collection.

Nicole Wilson

Public Affairs Officer

FEMA

Ways to apply for FEMA Assistance:

1. Online at **DisasterAssistance.gov** (easiest, fastest, most convenient method)
2. On the FEMA App for mobile devices
3. Call the FEMA Helpline at 1.800.621.3362
4. For in-person help, visit a Recovery Center

FEMA application and information:

<https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4856>

How to Apply for FEMA Assistance:

<https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4856>

Application Checklist:

<https://www.disasterassistance.gov/get-assistance/application-checklist>

Disaster Unemployment Assistance, FEMA-funded, state-administered:

https://edd.ca.gov/en/unemployment/disaster_unemployment_assistance

Heritage Emergency National Task Force (HENTF) resources:

About HENTF:

<https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/practitioners/environmental-historic/heritage-task-force>

HENTF's Save Your Family Treasures guidance including "After the Fire" :

<https://www.fema.gov/disaster/recover/save-family-treasures>

Additional resources:

culturalrescue.si.edu/resources

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Assistant Director

Los Angeles County Department of Economic Opportunity

Kate Vacanti

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Supporting **Businesses** **and Workers** Impacted by Winds and Wildfires

bit.ly/DEOWildfireResponse

February 2025

Who We Are

Work, Live and Do Business *in LA County*



Regional Economic Approach



Certifications and Contracting



Jobs and Training



Industry Cluster Development



Entrepreneurship Development



Business Attraction and Access to Capital



Small Business Services



Real Estate and Capital Development

Visit opportunity.lacounty.gov to learn more and get connected

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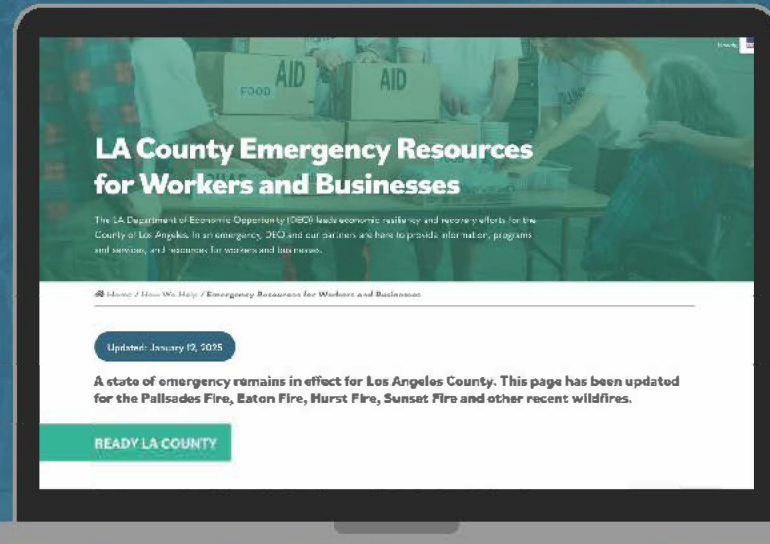
Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)

LA County and DEO are **mobilizing resources, partners, and programs** to ensure rapid response and recovery for local businesses, workers, and communities impacted by the wildfires



Resource Hub for **Business** and **Workers** Impacted

bit.ly/DEOWildfireResponse





Local Assistance & Disaster Recovery Centers

Local Assistance & Disaster Recovery Centers are open to the public from 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM as of Wednesday, January 15, 2025.

LOCATION 1:

UCLA Research Park West
10850 West Pico Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90064

LOCATION 2:

**Altadena Disaster Recovery
Center - JPL**
540 W Woodbury Rd.
Altadena, Ca 91001

Visit bit.ly/DEOWildfireResponse to learn more!

recovery.lacounty.gov

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Resources for Businesses

Financial Assistance Overview



Loans

Small Business Administration (SBA):

4%, up to 30 years to pay back loans, 1st payment deferred for 12 months

- Home Disaster Loans
- Business Physical Disaster Loans
- Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL)

State:

- Disaster Relief Loan Guarantee Program (DRLGP)
- Jump Start Loan Program
- California State Treasurer's Office CA Capital Access Program (CalCAP)

Community Loans:

- Jewish Free Loan Association (JFLA) www.jfla.org
- PACE pacela.org
- CDFI www.cdfifund.gov

Grants

County and City of LA:

- **LA Region Small Business and Worker Relief Fund**

lacounty.gov/relief

Disaster Grants by orgs:

- LA Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Inclusive Action for the City
- California Restaurant Foundation
- TMC Community Capital
- Team Friday
- Wish Local Empowerment Program



LA Region Small Business and Worker Relief Funds

For small businesses, nonprofits, and workers displaced and impacted by the wind and wildfire disaster.

The Small Business Fund will provide cash grants up to **\$25,000** to start to recover and rebuild.

The Worker Fund will provide grants of up to **\$2,000**.

Applications are set to open ***this month***.

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Connect with a CDFI

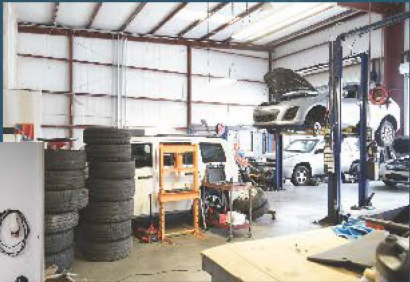
*Community
Development
Financial Institutions*

Organization Name	Organization Website
Acelera Financial Corp	www.acerafinancial.com
B.S.D. Capital, Inc. dba Lendistry	www.lendistry.com
Episcopal Community Federal Credit Union	www.EpiscopalCredit.org
Genesis LA Economic Growth Corporation	www.genesisla.org
Inclusive Action for the City	www.inclusiveaction.org
NHS Neighborhood Lending Services	www.nhslacounty.org
PACE Finance Corporation	www.pacela.org
Pacific Coast Regional, Small Business Development Corporation	www.pccorp.org
Royal Business Bank	www.rbbusa.com
Salas & Company	www.caminofinancial.com
Sustainable Communities Fund	www.tscfund.org
USC Credit Union	www.usccreditunion.org
Vermont-Slauson LDC, Inc.	www.vsedc.org



Got extra space? Help a displaced business in need!

B2B SPACE SHARE



b2bspaceshare.lacounty.gov



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Legal Aid Services for Small Businesses

Know Your Rights After a Disaster

Legal Aid Hotline: 1-800-399-4529

Learn more at lalegalhelp.org

Free Legal Advice and Guidance

LA County's **Legal Aid for Small Business** program provides free, trusted experts to assist you with:

- Legal aid for commercial lease reviews
- Guidance for tenant rights and eviction protection
- Assistance navigating insurance policy and claims
- More (debt negotiation, contracts, etc.)

Delivered in partnership with Bet Tzedek and Public Counsel



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Assistance and Referrals for **Businesses**

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Office of Small Business (OSB)

OSB offers one-on-one business workshops and counseling to start-ups, referrals for services, and support navigating County services.

It also provides business certifications and government contracting technical assistance through its APEX Accelerator.



844-432-4900



osb@opportunity.lacounty.gov



**4716 E. Cesar E Chavez Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90022**



**Monday-Friday
8:00 am to 4:30 pm**

Make an appointment at
bit.ly/OSBConcierge

REGIONAL SUPPORT

Quick Reference Guides



bit.ly/LARegionalResources

Small Business Assistance: Recovering from LA Winds & Wildfires

The City of Los Angeles, City of Pasadena, LA County, and the State of California are offering critical support for businesses impacted by the recent wildfires and strong winds. Access financial assistance, business guidance, legal help, and more through local and state resources.



- Financial & grants (U.S. Small Business Administration, Federal Reserve, LA County, City of Los Angeles, and various programs)
- Insurance through various providers and referrals to a broker, hazard, and recovery brokers
- Technical assistance (business development, creating financial recovery plans, and applying for disaster zone)

Find the full list of resources and assistance programs by scanning the QR code.



SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

Individualized technical assistance for small businesses impacted by LA Winds and Wildfires

Presented by the City of Los Angeles, City of Pasadena, Los Angeles County, and State of California

General Guidance

Emergency Updates from LA City

www.lacounty.gov/2023/04/26/emergency-updates

City of LA City

www.lacity.org

Los Angeles County

www.lacounty.gov

City of Pasadena

www.pasadena.gov

Emergency Updates from LA County

www.lacounty.gov/2023/04/26/emergency-updates

City of LA County

www.lacounty.gov

Los Angeles County

www.lacounty.gov

City of Pasadena

www.pasadena.gov

Emergency Updates from State of California

www.california.gov

California

www.california.gov

Los Angeles County

www.lacounty.gov

City of Pasadena

www.pasadena.gov

Financial Support

U.S. Small Business Administration Disaster Loans

www.sba.gov/disaster-loans

Website: www.sba.gov/disaster-loans

Phone: 800-368-5848

Address: 400 North Dearborn Street, Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Los Angeles County

Website: www.lacounty.gov

Phone: 213-229-1000

Address: 400 North Dearborn Street, Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90012

City of Pasadena

Website: www.pasadena.gov

Phone: 626-797-3333

Address: 100 North Main Street, Pasadena, CA 91101

California State Treasurer

Website: www.sfstreasury.com

Phone: 916-227-2000

Address: 1000 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA 95833

Los Angeles County

Website: www.lacounty.gov

Phone: 213-229-1000

Address: 400 North Dearborn Street, Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Insurance Guidance

CA Department of Insurance

Website: www.insurance.ca.gov

Phone: 800-999-9999

Address: 1000 California Street, Suite 1000, San Francisco, CA 94108

Los Angeles County

Website: www.lacounty.gov

Phone: 213-229-1000

Address: 400 North Dearborn Street, Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90012

City of Pasadena

Website: www.pasadena.gov

Phone: 626-797-3333

Address: 100 North Main Street, Pasadena, CA 91101

Business Technical Assistance

Get the MD-CRDC free peer consultation support for SBA, Economic Loans, strategic relations, and a Personal Plan to Recover from the Wildfires, address business challenges, and grow.

LA County Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO)

Economic Stability Technical

Website: www.lacounty.gov/deo

Phone: 213-229-1000

Address: 400 North Dearborn Street, Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90012

City of Pasadena

Website: www.pasadena.gov

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City of Los Angeles

Los Angeles Small Business Development Center Network (SBCN)

Website: www.lacounty.gov/sbcn

Phone: 213-229-1000

Address: 400 North Dearborn Street, Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90012

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LA AREA SMALL BUSINESS RESPONSE & RECOVERY WEBINAR

FRIDAY, JAN. 24, 2025 @ 11AM VIA ZOOM
(REOCCURRING WEBINAR ON FRIDAYS AT 11AM)

[RSVP via Zoom here](#)

All small businesses impacted by the LA Fires of January 2025 are invited to join this weekly webinar to learn the latest resources to support small business and economic recovery from the wildfire disaster we are facing in LA County.

This meeting will focus on how small businesses can manage payroll expense and support employees through special unemployment programs.

For more information about Together for LA, visit togetherforla.org

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Stay Updated and Connected through weekly webinars every Friday

Together for L.A.

Small businesses impacted by the wildfires are invited to join this weekly webinar to learn about the latest resources to support small business and economic recovery

bit.ly/TFLAWebinar

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Resources for Workers

Worker Grants

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Entertainment Community Emergency Assistance Funds

For performing arts and entertainment professionals to assist toward basic living expenses such as health care, housing & utilities to prevent eviction or shut offs entertainmentcommunity.org/am-i-eligible-help



**Entertainment
Community Fund**
Formerly The Actors Fund



The LA Arts Community Fire Relief Fund

Individuals, working artists and/or a full-time, part-time, or contract arts worker at an LA County arts organization may apply for grant of up to \$10,000 cciarts.org/relief.html

California Restaurant Foundation's Restaurants Care program

A temporary fund to provide emergency relief grants (between \$350 - \$1,500) to food & beverage workers impacted by the fires restaurantscare.org/help



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CARE.**

Employment Assistance

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America's Job Centers of California (AJCCs)

Assists displaced and impacted workers with job readiness workshops and 1:1 support, no-cost skills training, supportive services like Unemployment Insurance and healthcare coverage, and connection to employers ajcc.lacounty.gov or workforce@opportunity.lacounty.gov

America's **JobCenter**
of CaliforniaSM

- 18 LA County AJCCs, 40 job centers across LA region, where impacted workers can access services
- Job readiness services, no-cost training, connection to employers & supportive services.
- Help applying for Unemployment Insurance, Disaster Unemployment Assistance & healthcare coverage
- Coming soon: Temporary jobs for people who lost work due to the wildfires in cleanup & humanitarian assistance positions

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Unemployment Insurance (UI) for Workers

edd.ca.gov/Unemployment



Workers who lost work or income due to the wildfire may be eligible for UI, and the waiting period has been waived for disaster victims.

Earn between \$40-\$450 per week depending on earnings in the past 18 months.

Start the application at: edd.ca.gov/Unemployment

Get support in applying for UI or Disaster Benefits or reopening an existing claim:

- At a Disaster Recovery Center
- At an America's Job Center of California – 40+ in LA County
- 24/7 Hotline in English and Spanish at 1-866-333-4606

For fire-impacted workers with questions about UI or Disaster Benefits, call the State's Employment Development Department (EDD) Monday-Friday 8 AM-5 PM at:

- Eng: 1-833-998-2284 | Span: 1-855-964-0634
- Other: 1-800-300-5616

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Disaster Unemployment Assistance

edd.ca.gov/Unemployment



Workers who lost work or income due to the wildfire and are not typically eligible for UI may be eligible for DUA. **DUA covers jobless and self-employed workers and those whose own business or employer does not pay into the UI system.**

Workers must have worked in the disaster area earning their primary income and cannot return to work or perform work or have become head of household.

Benefits are determined based on earnings in previously completed tax year, like UI, but they can also include net self-employment earnings.

Applications must be submitted by March 10th, 2025 and can request claims starting the week of the disaster or January 12t, where applicable.

Check out the fact sheet:

https://edd.ca.gov/siteassets/files/pdf_pub_ctr/de8714dua.pdf

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Disaster Unemployment Assistance

edd.ca.gov/Unemployment



Other Disaster Benefits

- If you became sick or hurt and can't work because of a disaster, you may qualify for **State Disability Insurance**.
- If you need to care for a family member hurt in the disaster, you may qualify for **Paid Family Leave benefits**.

Find other Disaster Related Services by EDD here:

https://edd.ca.gov/en/about_edd/disaster_related_services/



Thank you!



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MEDIA!

Visit bit.ly/DEOWildfireResponse to learn more!



Katherine Bray-Simons

Relief Fund Manager, LA Arts Community Wildfire Relief Fund
Center for Cultural Innovation

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Fire RELIEF Fund

OVERVIEW

*The LA Arts Community Relief Fund is providing critical support to **artists from all disciplines and art workers** impacted by the devastating Eaton and Palisades fires of January 2025.*

For artists and arts workers affected by Eaton or Palisades fires, this financial assistance is intended to mitigate significant financial hardship.

- **Cash relief** (non-taxable)
- Can request **up to \$10,000**
- **Application** is simple & CCI is here to help!
- Must meet **eligibility criteria**

Timeline

- Application deadline is **February 18** at 5pm PT
- Notifications anticipated **February 24**

ELIGIBILITY

You are eligible to apply to the LA Arts Community Fire Relief Fund if...

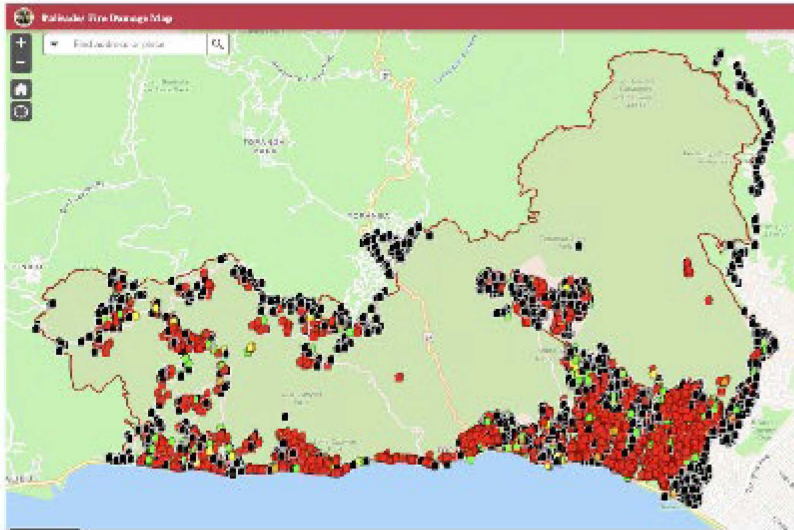
- You were **displaced** by either the **Eaton** or **Palisades** fires

...and...

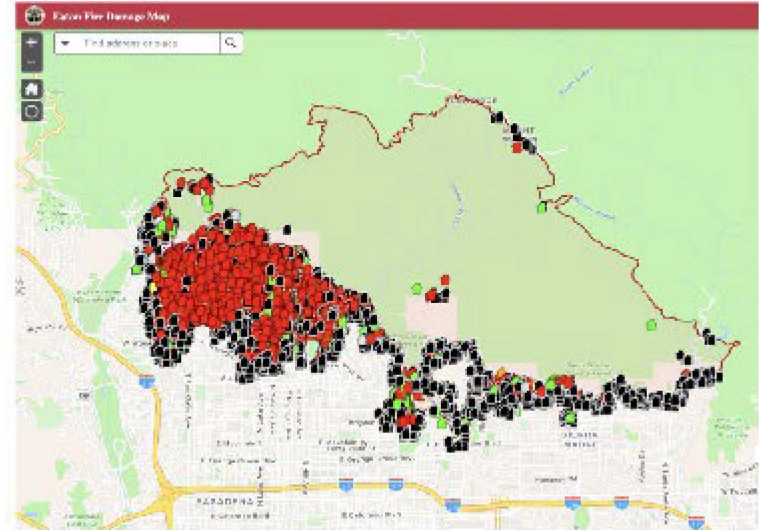
- You are an **“artist”** and/or an **“arts worker”**

DISPLACEMENT

Palisades Fire



Eaton Fire



LA County Recovery Fire Damage Maps

<https://recovery.lacounty.gov/>

*must provide proof of residence as of Jan 7

ARTISTS

Artists, performers, culture bearers, etc. working across a wide range of disciplines, regardless of credentials, including...

Book arts	Fiction/Nonfiction Writing	Music	Public Art
Ceramics	Folk and Traditional Arts	Musical Theatre	Quilting
Conceptual Art	Glasswork	Opera	Regalia Making
Dance	Hip Hop	Painting	Sculpture
Design	Media Arts & Digital/XR Media	Performance Art	Spoken Word
DJ-ing	Multimedia and Multi-Disciplinary Practices	Photography	Social Practices
Fiber/Textile	Metalwork	Paper and Printmaking	Storytelling
Film/Video	Mural Making	Poetry	Theatre
			Woodworking...

* must provide documentation of public-facing practice.

ART WORKERS

Full-time, part-time, contract workers at LA County arts organizations,
no matter their role...

Administration

Curatorial

Conservation

Designers (graphic, costume, etc.)

Education

Facilities and Logistics

Food Service Staff

Front of House

Groundskeepers

Installation

Security Officers

Janitorial Staff

Maintenance Workers

Staff in Retail

Staff in Visitor Services

Staff in Membership...

*must provide documentation of employment or active contract as of Jan 7

TO APPLY

- www.cciarts.org/relief
- Create Submittable Account
- Take the eligibility quiz
- Answer application questions
- Provide documentation
 - proof of residence
 - public-facing artistic practice / employment at an arts organization

WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

- Helpful materials available online
 - Program Guidelines, Application Preview, and FAQs
- Someone you trust can apply on your behalf
- CCI's trained staff can support you in applying
- Translation & Accessibility services are available
- Submittable tech support

With questions, please reach out to CCI!

- Email relief@cciarts.org
- Call 415.288.0530 or 213.687.8577



Keith McNutt

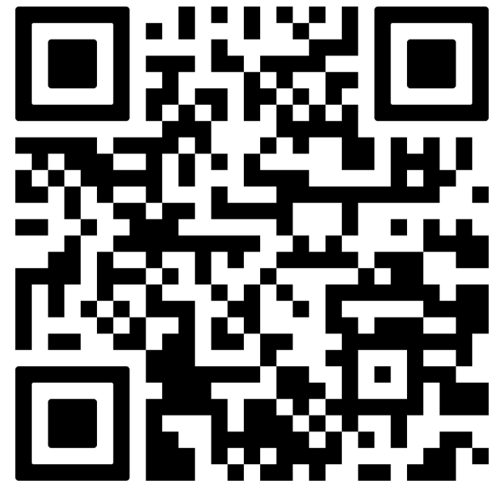
Executive Director, Western Region

Entertainment Community Fund

The Entertainment Community Fund provides support, connection to resources and emergency financial assistance.

- **Disaster Emergency Financial Assistance:** Covering essential expenses like rent, groceries, medical bills, and health insurance.
- Visit entertainmentcommunity.org/DisasterAssistance
- **Resource Connection:** resources updated daily on a dedicated California Wildfires Information Page
 - Visit entertainmentcommunity.org/CAFires

- **Wildfire Specific Groups:** providing counseling, mental health support, informational updates and more
 - *Recovering Together: A Community Gathering:* weekly drop-in support group offering a space for connection, healing and resource-sharing
 - *Navigating FEMA for the Entertainment Industry:* webinar with FEMA representatives about FEMA applications, troubleshooting tips and understanding common myths
- **Career Support Workshops**
- **Financial Wellness**
- **Mental Health Groups,** including
 - Mindfulness Meditation
 - Anxiety Toolbox
 - Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction
 - Beginners Guild to Therapy
 - And more



Gloria Oster

Deputy Director & Southern California Director
California Lawyers for the Arts



Our Mission

California Lawyers for the Arts protects and promotes artists of all disciplines and the creative community by providing education, alternative dispute resolution, access to legal representation and advocacy.

Lawyer Referral Information Services

CLA's State Bar Certified Legal Referral & Information Service has been serving the creative arts community since 1974. We provide service in all 58 counties in California. Let us find you a well-screened, highly qualified attorney who will work with you to solve your legal issue in a professional manner.

Arts Arbitration and Mediation Services (AAMS)

AAMS, a program of CLA, has provided alternative dispute resolution to artists and entertainers since 1980. Offering Mediation, Arbitration, and Conciliation services, AAMS provides opportunities for affordable and creative conflict resolution.

Educational Programs

CLA maintains a robust, year-round schedule of virtual and in-person educational activities, from workshops and seminars to special events, as well as an online catalogue of video-on-demand titles covering a variety of legal and business topics that affect the creative community.

Advocacy

CLA advocates for artists' rights at local, state, and national levels, protecting and advancing California's arts and creative sectors. From supporting copyright reform to promoting fair compensation or defending cultural institutions, CLA ensures equitable legal access and raises awareness of legal issues affecting the creative community.

Arts & Community Development Programs

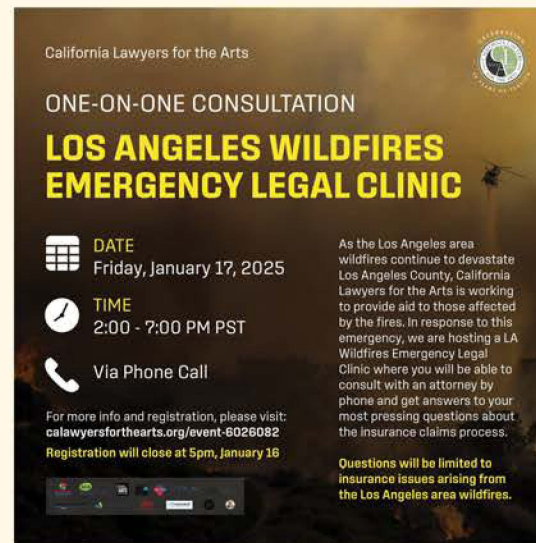
CLA fosters community development through the arts, supporting creative individuals and the communities they serve while addressing systemic issues in the arts. Current initiatives include Arts in Corrections and Re-entry, Arts & The Environment, and Creative Workforce Development programs.

Recovery Resources Provided by CLA

• CLA has compiled a comprehensive list including links to various disaster recovery resources provided by the federal, state, and local government. It also includes resources from other non-profit organizations with support for artists in Los Angeles county.



• CLA is organizing pro bono legal clinics and providing one-on-one support and consultations to answer questions on filing insurance claims and offer additional advice on available resources.

A poster for a "ONE-ON-ONE CONSULTATION LOS ANGELES WILDFIRES EMERGENCY LEGAL CLINIC". It includes the date "Friday, January 17, 2025", time "2:00 - 7:00 PM PST", and "Via Phone Call". It also provides a registration link and a QR code. The background features a silhouette of a person climbing a ladder against a dark sky with a fire. The California Lawyers for the Arts logo is in the top right corner.

California Lawyers for the Arts

ONE-ON-ONE CONSULTATION

**LOS ANGELES WILDFIRES
EMERGENCY LEGAL CLINIC**

DATE
Friday, January 17, 2025

TIME
2:00 - 7:00 PM PST

Via Phone Call

As the Los Angeles area wildfires continue to devastate Los Angeles County, California Lawyers for the Arts is working to provide aid to those affected by the fires. In response to this emergency, we are hosting a LA Wildfires Emergency Legal Clinic where you will be able to consult with an attorney by phone and get answers to your most pressing questions about the insurance claims process.

For more info and registration, please visit:
calawyersforthearts.org/event-6026082
Registration will close at 5pm, January 16

Questions will be limited to insurance issues arising from the Los Angeles area wildfires.



Cameron Baxter Lewis

Director of Grants, Programs, and Training
Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF+)



**CERF+ Grants and
Resources for Craft
Artists**

cerf+
Craft Emergency Relief Fund

www.CERFPLUS.org



For 39 years, CERF+ has helped safeguard + sustain the careers of artists working in craft disciplines and provided emergency resources to benefit studio artists across the country.





Grants Overview

In the past 5 years CERF+ has awarded more than 3 million dollars in direct assistance to 2,000+ craft artists

A

Emergency Relief - \$3,000 grants to U.S. craft artists who have experienced a practice threatening or serious emergency.

B

Get Ready - \$1,000 grants for U.S. craft artists to conduct activities that will help safeguard their studios, protect their careers and prepare for emergencies.

C

Gifts in Kind – donations to from business to artists recovering from a practice threatening emergency



Eligibility

CERF+ offers \$3,000 Emergency Relief Grants to craft artists who experienced a recent and substantially disruptive emergency or disaster.

CERF+ emergency relief has the following eligibility requirements:

Be an individual craft artist +

Have a public-facing artistic practice +

Have experienced a recent and substantially disruptive emergency or disaster +

Reside and work in US or US Territories +

Are a minimum age of 18 years or older +



Preparedness Resources

CERF+'s Online Studio Protector guide offers a wealth of information on emergency preparedness, business continuity planning, and wellness.



Saga Darnell

Head of Research and Public Affairs

Inevitable Foundation

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Emergency Relief Fund

Applications are open to support **disabled creatives** impacted by the 2025 L.A. wildfires. Impacts include but are not limited to: **destroyed homes, unforeseen evacuation costs, negative health impacts, and lost employment.**



How We Define **Disability**

Our fund supports those with physical disabilities, developmental disabilities, learning disabilities, intellectual disabilities, chronic health conditions, mental illnesses, blindness, low vision, deafness, neurodivergence, etc.



Inevitable Foundation

Emergency Relief Fund

- **Who can apply?** Disabled writers, filmmakers, and producers working in narrative, documentary, and unscripted film & tv.
- **How much are grants?** Grants start at \$500 and are distributed through ACH Direct Deposit or check.
- **When will I receive my grant?** We aim to review applications in 14 days or less.

**Apply online now or donate to the fund
at inevitable.foundation/erf**



View [InevitableInsider.com](https://inevitableinsider.com) for a list of wildfire relief resources, including **disability and mental health** support.



Gustavo Herrera
Executive Director
Arts for LA



Mutual Aid Wildfire Resource serves two purposes:

1. Organizations can submit their resources for artists and creative workers
2. Designed to aggregate all the various types of support for all artists and creative workers into one document

Advocating for Artists, Creative Workers and Organizations/Businesses

artsforla.org/wildfire-relief

A graphic showing a person in silhouette working in a smoky, dark environment, likely a wildfire site. The person is using a tool, possibly a shovel or a similar piece of equipment. The background is a mix of dark smoke and lighter, hazy areas, suggesting a chaotic and dangerous environment.

RESOURCES FOR ARTISTS & ARTS WORKERS IMPACTED BY THE WILDFIRES

Arts for LA, in partnership with the California Community Foundation, has a continuously-updated spreadsheet with relief, grants, housing, and more specifically for LA artists: artsforla.org/wildfire-relief



Kristin Sakoda

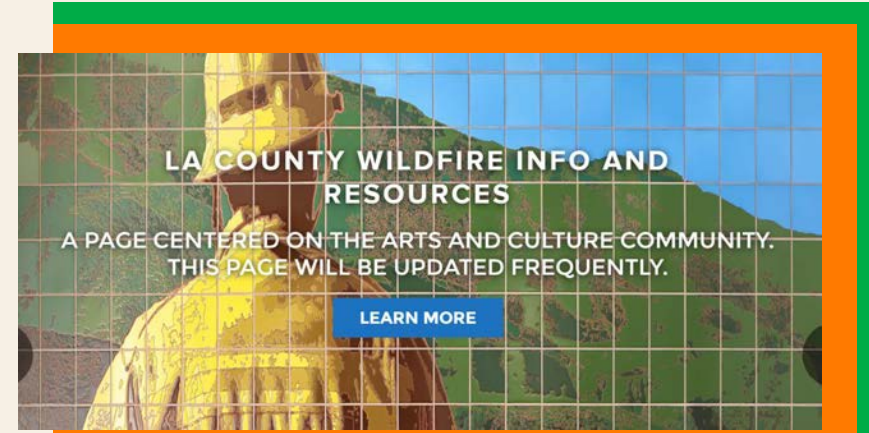
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Communications: Sharing Emergency Resources with the Field

- Built new **Wildfire Digital Resource** site for arts and culture sector on Department website, lacountyarts.org
- Sharing social media content from County, grantees, arts agencies, community-based organizations, and Department resources
- Convening “LA County Arts and Culture Forum Wildfire Response & Resources” webinar today



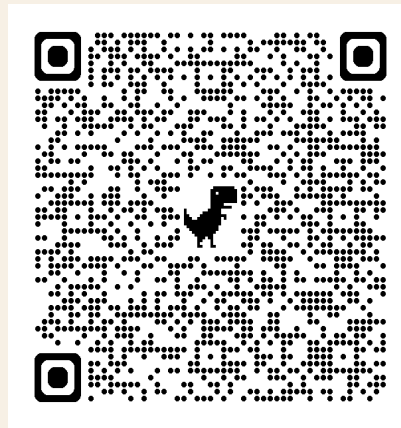
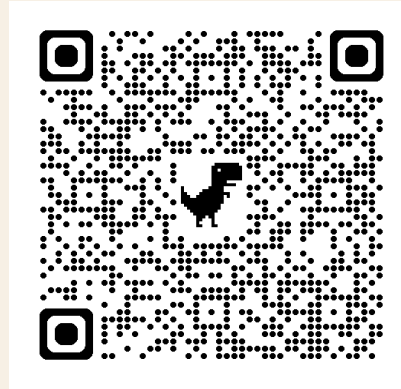
Creative Wellbeing: Healing Arts for Youth, Schools, Families, and Educators

[Curriculum Guide](#)

Support for facilitators to use arts-based strategies to support young people in restoration and healing.

[Learning Community on Wellbeing4LA.org | Los Angeles County Arts Ed Collective](#)

Recordings of Creative Wellbeing sessions on the Wellbeing for LA Learning Center offers an open catalog focused on community wellbeing, resilience and professional development for the workforce that supports the mental health and wellbeing of children, families and adults.



Civic Art: Supporting Artists, Communities & the County Collection

- Assessing damage to the County Civic Art Collection and supporting artists and community members in conserving artworks and personal treasures
- Co-hosted “Preservation Mutual Aid: For Fire and Water Damaged Artwork and Cherished Belongings”
- View Instagram reels at @yourneighborhoodmuseum

PRESERVATION MUTUAL AID: FOR FIRE AND WATER DAMAGED ARTWORK AND CHERISHED BELONGINGS

**THUR. JANUARY 23
3PM PST**

**SAT. JANUARY 25
11AM PST**

INSTAGRAM LIVE Q and A with art conservators on salvaging your treasured personal belongings, caring for your art, safety tips, and available resources. The IG Lives will feature specialists in: paper, objects, paintings, murals, textiles.

Tune into the IG Live via: @yourneighborhoodmuseum

- @lacountyarts
- @siteandstudio
- @balboaartconservation



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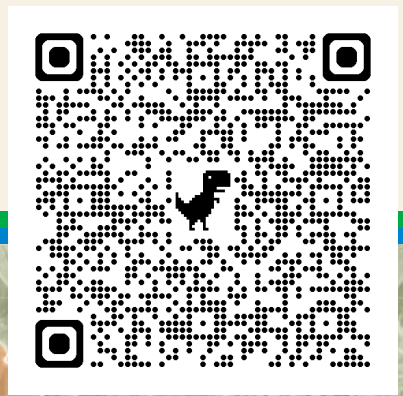
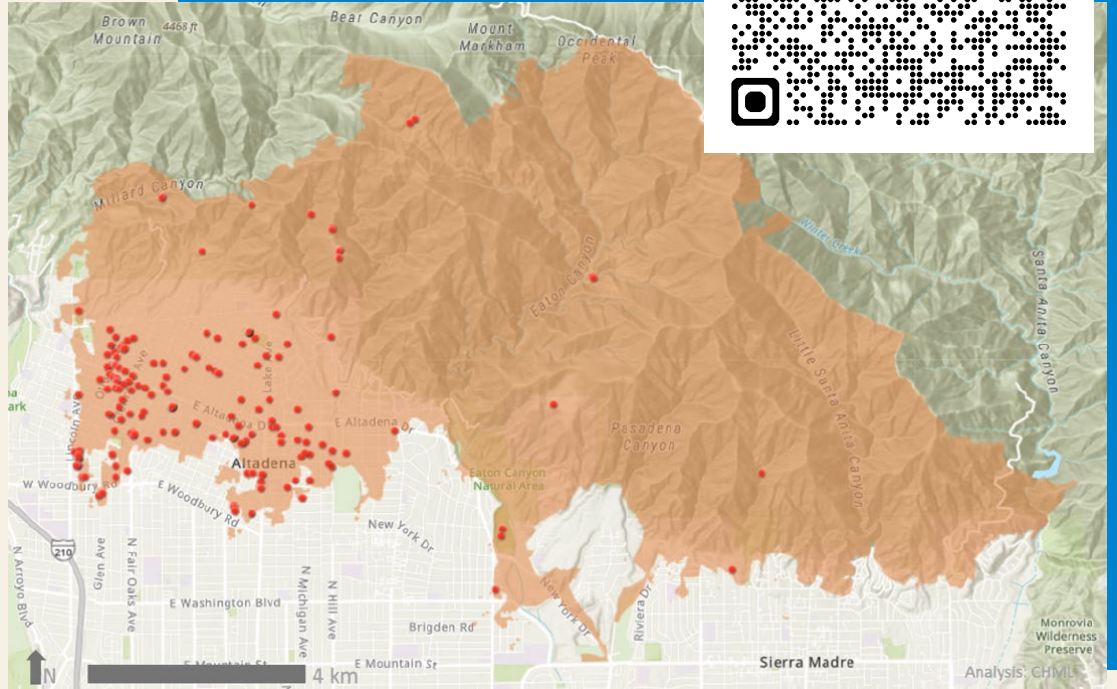
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Research & Evaluation: Measuring Impact

- Working with the National Coalition for Arts Preparedness and Emergency Response (NCAPER) and local partners to survey **individual artists, performing groups, creative workers, and arts organizations** and **cultural institutions** to understand the full scope of the wildfires' impact
- Smithsonian Cultural Rescue Initiative identified 189 cultural heritage sites potentially impacted by the Eaton Fire, and 83 cultural heritage sites potentially impacted by the Palisades Fire



Source: Smithsonian Cultural Rescue Initiative. DOI:10.25573/data.28259372.

Thank you!

- In coming days, we will post a recording of this forum
- We will also post a PDF of these slides, with live links, on our **Recovery Resources** page (QR code to right). Be sure to check additional funding and resource opportunities here!
- Post-event questions? Email communications@arts.lacounty.gov

