

California Single Family Housing Disaster Assistance

When a disaster strikes, USDA Rural Development programs can help individuals, communities, and businesses recover and rebuild.

NOTE: In a Presidentially-declared disaster, it is to your benefit to register with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA):
Main: 800-621-3362 | TTY: 800-462-7585
Website: [DisasterAssistance.gov](https://www.usda.gov/disasterassistance)



What does this program do?

The Single Family Housing Disaster Assistance Fund provides grants to very-low and low-income homeowners to repair owner-occupied homes damaged by the Eaton Fire in Los Angeles County.

Who can apply?

To qualify, your property must have been damaged by the Eaton fire in Los Angeles County from Jan 7 to Jan 31, 2025 and you must:

- Be the homeowner and occupy the house (occupancy after repair can be authorized)
- Have an adjusted household income within very-low- or low-income limits

How can funds be used?

Funds can be used for:

- Disaster-related home repair expenses, including costs incurred prior to application
- Site preparation and cleanup.

Is there a deadline to apply?

Applications are accepted year-round as long as funding is available, and are processed in the order in which they are received.

What are some of the grant terms?

- The maximum grant award is currently \$44,000.
- Grant recipients must certify there is no duplication of benefits with other funding or awards.

What governs this program?

- The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 ([tinyurl.com/2mtbsknc](https://www.tinyurl.com/2mtbsknc))

- The Housing Act of 1949 as amended: 7 CFR, Part 3550 ([go.usa.gov/xzcvG](https://www.go.usa.gov/xzcvG))
- HB-1-3550 - Direct Single Family Housing Program Field Office Handbook ([rd.usda.gov/resources/directives/handbooks](https://www.rd.usda.gov/resources/directives/handbooks))

How do I get started?

Contact a USDA home loan specialist in your area at rd.sm.ca.SFHDirect@usda.gov

You can also contact the USDA staff listed below.

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NOTE: Because information changes, always consult official program instructions or contact your local Rural Development office for help. A list of local Rural Development Offices can be found at [tinyurl.com/RDStateOffices](https://www.tinyurl.com/RDStateOffices). USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

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