

California Department of Housing and Community Development ReCoverCA Monthly Newsletter – May 2024

Great Turnout for First Plumas County Application Intake Event!

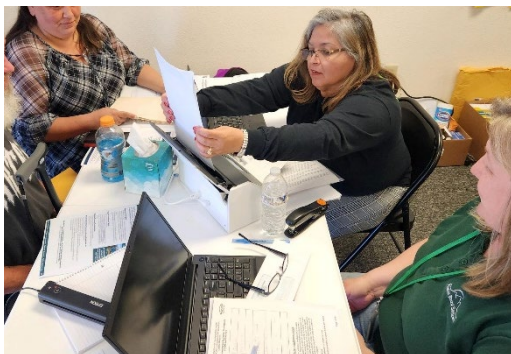
ReCoverCA and the Dixie Fire Collaborative hosted an application intake event in Greenville on April 11 that allowed residents of Plumas County to apply for 2021 ReCoverCA Housing Programs.



At the Greenville event, ReCoverCA staff along with local disaster recovery case managers from Plumas Rural Services and Northern Valley Catholic Social Services assisted 22 interested homeowners and landlords with questions related to the programs, helped with submitting their applications, and scanned and recorded eligibility documentation. The ReCoverCA team is immensely grateful to have the support of the Greenville community and community partners to aid in the success of this event and future outreach and application intake activities in the area!

ReCoverCA's 2021 Housing Programs include the Single-Family Reconstruction and Single-Family Mitigation Retrofits Program in Plumas County.

The Single-Family Reconstruction (SFR) Program offers eligible homeowners and landlords who lost homes in the Dixie Fire up to \$500,000 to help rebuild damaged or destroyed homes. Owner-occupants and landlords willing to rent their properties as affordable, single-family homes – may be eligible for the Single-Family Reconstruction (SFR) or Single-Family Mitigation Retrofits (SFM) Programs.



The Single-Family Mitigation Retrofits (SFM) Program provides funds for defensible space and home hardening needs on homeowners' properties. Eligible homeowners and landlords can apply for up to \$50,000 for mitigation activities that increase the level of protection against wildfires, including defensible space and home hardening. Homeowners do not need to have sustained damage in the Dixie Fire to be eligible for the mitigation program.

Find out more information about the 2021 ReCoverCA Housing Programs by visiting the [ReCoverCA website](#). Full information, including eligibility, policies and procedures, fact sheets, and application instructions can be found as well as a link to the online application.

Sign up for the ReCoverCA monthly newsletter at www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-and-funding/recoverca/email-signup and follow the Program on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ReCoverCA to receive the latest updates. If you have questions about the Program, please contact us at ReCoverCA@hcd.ca.gov or (916) 202-1764.

ReCoverCA Outreach Updates

The ReCoverCA outreach team continued to engage with communities impacted by wildfires or living in wildfire-prone areas through a variety of outreach events and presentations. Starting in April, the team has incorporated door-to-door canvassing into outreach efforts. The team canvassed in Santa Cruz County recently, engaging with approximately 50% of the households visited and allowing the team to focus on wildfire-affected homeowners.

The team's attendance at the recent Napa County Fire Awareness Fair proved to be especially successful, drawing hundreds of attendees with its unique focus on wildfire preparedness and safety. The team was pleased to discover that due to previous efforts, local agencies had been promoting the ReCoverCA Housing Programs and distributing flyers at their meetings, and several attendees arrived at the event solely to visit the ReCoverCA resource booth. The team was able to share information with neighboring vendors, resource agencies, and even a member of the Napa County Board of Supervisors. Networking with local organizations also resulted in several invitations to upcoming fire and safety-related events.



At a more intimate pop-up event in the small town of Felton, many of the visitors expressed interest in the Owner-Occupied Mitigation Retrofits (OOM) program, a 2020 program, and were eager to share the information with family and friends. They had specific questions regarding the inspection process and what types of retrofits the program could cover. Four visitors came to the library specifically to learn about ReCoverCA resources. The library staff were instrumental in promoting the presence of the ReCoverCA team and assisting in the distribution of

resources to their patrons, further highlighting the importance of leveraging support from local organizations.

If you work with a city or county agency, nonprofit, or other community organization and are interested in requesting or hosting a virtual or in-person event, please contact:

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