
Fact Sheet for Unmet Recovery Needs for 2017 Disasters

Background

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is the grantee of Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the 2017 and 2018 disasters. This fact sheet provides information regarding the 2017 CDBG-DR unmet recovery needs funding.

HCD works with local governments and organizations to fund programs that provide long-term recovery assistance for housing, infrastructure, and economic revitalization. Where the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) provide immediate post-disaster response and emergency management services, HCD provides CDBG-DR funds for long-term disaster recovery.

What are CDBG and CDBG-DR Funds?

The CDBG Program provides annual grants to states, cities, and counties to develop viable communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons. CDBG-DR funds are allocated based on an assessment of actual damages resulting from the disaster and are for the purpose of addressing the long-term recovery needs of a community.

What are Unmet Recovery Needs?

Unmet recovery needs are recovery needs that remain after other recovery funding sources, such as FEMA, Small Business Administration, charitable donations, insurance payments, and state funds are used for housing, infrastructure, and economic revitalization recovery efforts.

How can 2017 CDBG-DR funds be used?

Per the 2017 Unmet Recovery Needs Action Plan, 2017 CDBG-DR funds may be used for housing and restoration of infrastructure.

How much 2017 CDBG-DR funding has been allocated to the State of California?

HUD appropriated \$212,374,000 in CDBG-DR funds to the State of California to address impacts from disasters that occurred in 2017. Of the total, \$124,155,000 is intended to address unmet recovery needs and \$88,219,000 is to be used for mitigation and preparedness needs.

In January 2020, HUD appropriated an additional \$38 million in CDBG-DR funds to the State of California to support unmet infrastructure recovery needs related to the 2017 disasters. The total amount of CDBG-DR funds appropriated to the State of California for the unmet recovery needs from the 2017 disasters now exceeds \$162 million.

Where can 2017 CDBG-DR Funds be used?

2017 CDBG-DR unmet recovery needs funds can only be expended within federally declared disaster areas. Furthermore, HUD requires that 80 percent (approximately \$130 million) of the total allocation be spent in the areas designated as most impacted and distressed. The remaining 20 percent may be spent in the other federally declared disaster areas.

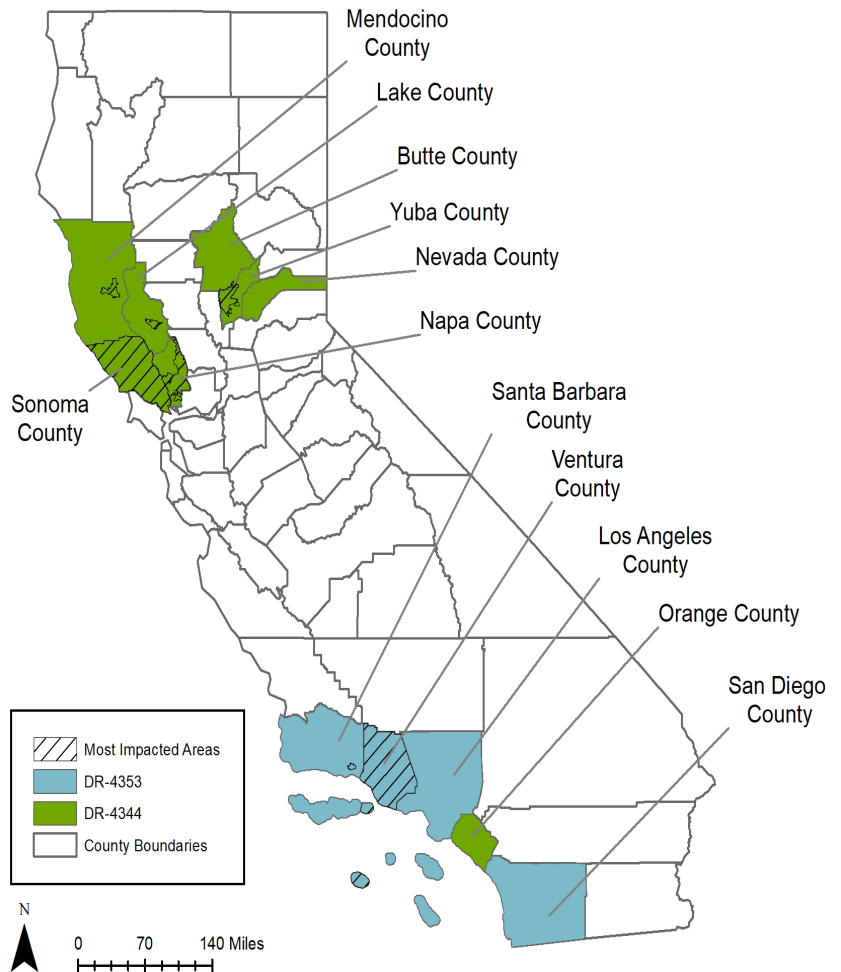
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Figure 1 Map of 2017 Disaster Impacted Areas

2017 Federally Declared Disaster Impacted Counties
DR 4344
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Butte County • Lake County • Mendocino County • Napa County • Nevada County • Orange County • Sonoma County • Yuba County
DR 4354
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Los Angeles County • San Diego County • Santa Barbara County • Ventura County
2017 Most Impacted and Distressed Areas
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sonoma County • Ventura County • 95422 (Clearlake City) • 93108 (Montecito, CA) • 95470 (Mendocino County) • 95901 (Yuba County) • 94558 (Napa County)



For More Information

On the 2017 unmet needs fund, the 2017 mitigation and preparedness funds and 2018 disaster funds, please visit the ReCoverCA program website at <https://ReCoverCA.com> or HCD's website at <http://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/active-no-funding/dri.shtml>

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