

## California Department of Housing and Community Development

*ReCoverCA Monthly Newsletter – November 2023*

### 2020 ReCoverCA Housing Programs Now Open!

ReCoverCA Owner-Occupied Housing Programs, including Rehabilitation and Reconstruction (OOR) and Wildfire Mitigation Retrofits (OOM), programs are now open! Homeowners who lost their home in an eligible FEMA-declared 2020 disaster or have mitigation or home hardening needs on their property may be eligible for up to \$500,000 to help rebuild and up to \$50,000 for mitigation assistance, depending on homeowners' unique needs.

If you or someone you know is still rebuilding their single-family home or mobile home after 2020 disasters, or has mitigation needs on their property—such as debris clearance, defensible space, or other work to bring the property into compliance with [Wildland Urban Interface Code](#)—visit the ReCoverCA website for information and application instructions.

Applications for ReCoverCA 2020 are available online via the Neighborly portal. Full information, including eligibility, policies and procedures, fact sheets, and application instructions can be found on the [ReCoverCA website](#).

Eligible 2020 disasters are FEMA DR-4558 (August 14-September 26, 2020) and FEMA DR-4569 (September 4-November 17, 2020) in Butte, Fresno, Los Angeles, Napa, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, and Sonoma counties.

### Homeowners Affected by 2017 & 2018 Disasters May Be Eligible for Reimbursement

Are you a homeowner affected by 2017 or 2018 disasters and have already rebuilt? Some homeowners may be eligible for reimbursement through ReCoverCA Housing Programs. Most ReCoverCA awards to date have been for ground-up reconstruction. HCD is now assessing interest in a potential new pathway to reimburse homeowners' eligible costs, which may include but are not limited to permits and inspection fees, utilities, structural repairs, and heating/cooling and air conditioning systems.



All other ReCoverCA Housing Program criteria apply, such as a home needing to be a single-family or manufactured housing unit, remain owner-occupied, and located in an eligible county. Funds are also prioritized for low- to moderate-income households and those with the greatest need.

To learn more and to express your interest in ReCoverCA reimbursement, please complete the [short online survey](#) before November 7, 2023. Homes need to be located in eligible FEMA-declared disaster areas and to have sustained damage from the disaster. Full eligibility information is available on [the ReCoverCA website](#).

### Surveys and Applications for 2017 & 2018 Programs Closing Soon!

ReCoverCA Housing Programs for those affected by 2017 and 2018 disasters will soon close. The Disaster Housing Needs Assistance Survey for those still rebuilding from eligible disasters will close on December 31, 2023. The survey, which takes approximately five minutes to [complete online](#), is the first step for anyone interested in ReCoverCA funds to help repair or rebuild single-family owner-occupied housing damaged in FEMA-declared disasters.

After completing the survey, eligible homeowners will be contacted by a Case Manager to complete the full application for ReCoverCA Housing Programs. The application for 2017 and 2018 will close January 31, 2024. If you have an incomplete ReCoverCA application, or a Case Manager has reached out to you, please complete your application before January 31, 2024.

ReCoverCA 2017 and 2018 Housing Programs are available to homeowners making up to 120% of area median income. Homeowners may be eligible for up to \$500,000 to repair, reconstruct, or clear remaining damage to homes caused by eligible 2017 and 2018 wildfires, mudflows, and debris flows in the following counties: Butte, Lake, Los Angeles, Mendocino, Napa, Nevada, Orange, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Sonoma, Ventura, and Yuba.

Additional information, including eligible guidelines and resources to help complete the survey and application, are available on the [ReCoverCA website](#).



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