

Accessing Public Benefits after Wildfires



CalWORKs:

Lost income and have kids?

You may be eligible for CalWORKs (CW), which comes with a Immediate Needs Assistance \$200 payment if it is your first time applying for CW. You must have less than \$100 in cash and savings on hand to qualify

Already have CalWORKs?

You can request one-time Special Needs Assistance of up to \$600 to pay for costs to repair home or replace destroyed things.

You can also request emergency homeless assistance. (If you already requested homeless assistance in the past, you can ask for it again).

General Relief for an adult between ages 18-64:

You can get \$221 per month if you less than \$2000 in personal property, less than \$100 on hand, and monthly net income is less than \$221 per month.

Emergency aid may be available to prevent eviction or provide meals/housing vouchers, or transportation for jobs and medical appointments.

Disaster Unemployment Assistance:

Available for workers (and self-employed individuals not qualified for regular unemployment) in LA County unemployed or who have reduced hours as a result of a disaster. Workers can get up to \$186 and \$450 per week, for up to 26 weeks. **Deadline to apply: 3/10/2025.**

Apply for CW/GR
by Phone: (866) 613-3777

Apply for DUA online:
<https://edd.ca.gov/en/myedd/>



NLSLA Hotline:
1-800-433-6251

Emergency CalFresh (EBT) in Los Angeles County



CalFresh for Hot Food:

You can use CalFresh to buy hot/prepared food from grocery stores (not restaurants) **until 3/10/2025**.

Disaster CalFresh (D-SNAP):

If you don't get CF now and you lived or worked in a fire-impacted zip code area on 1/7/25, you can get one months' worth of CF benefits based on your household size (\$975 for household of 4). The income limit is higher than regular CalFresh and there are no immigration requirements.

Application window: 2/10-2/14, 2/18 - 2/19.

Individual Replacement Benefits:

If you already get CalFresh and lost food as a result of destruction or power outage related to the wildfires starting 1/7/2025, you can request 1 months' worth of CalFresh to replace it.

Application deadline: 3/6/2025

For more information and updates, visit

<https://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/calfresh/disaster-calfresh>

Apply for CalFresh by Phone:
1-877-847-3663

Apply for CalFresh online:
getcalfresh.org