

March Economic Bulletin

Economic Recovery Support Function

California Governor's Office of Emergency Services

Help Us Strengthen California's Business Resilience & Recovery Resources

The Economic RSF team is building a comprehensive statewide inventory of business resilience and disaster recovery resources to better support communities and businesses impacted by disasters. We invite you to click on the link below and take action to help us advance this project:

[Economic RSF Inventory of Business Resilience and Disaster Recovery Resources](#)

By sharing your programs, tools, services, training opportunities, and partner organizations, you help ensure this inventory is actionable, easy to navigate, and reflective of the full range of support available across California so businesses can more easily access the resources they need before and after disasters.

We also invite you to circulate this link and request within your networks to help broaden participation statewide. Thank you!



CalOSBA's Outsmart Disaster: New Program

The Outsmart Disaster Train-the-Trainer program expands disaster resilience capacity across California by equipping community partners, local leaders, and business support organizations to deliver the curriculum directly to small businesses.

The program builds a trained, statewide network of facilitators who provide consistent, practical guidance on preparedness, continuity planning, and recovery. By empowering trusted messengers already working with small businesses, it helps ensure resilience planning—including completion of the Outsmart Disaster Resiliency Roadmap—is accessible, culturally responsive, and realistic for businesses focused on day-to-day survival.

Partners are equipped to independently deliver workshops, provide one-on-one coaching, and support small businesses with preparedness actions and access to recovery resources. The program also strengthens collaboration between CalOSBA and local partners while creating scalable, aligned messaging around business resiliency.



For More Information:

- [Outsmart Disaster Certified Trainer Interest Form](#)

Statwide Economic Partner News & Funding Opportunities



ECONOMIC RECOVERY SUPPORT FUNCTION (RSF)

Stay up to date on economic news and events:

- **Economic RSF Statewide Partner coordination meetings:** 2nd Tuesday of the month, 1-2:00pm
- [RSF Web Page](#)
- **Join us!** To be added to the contact list, email longtermrecovery@caloes.ca.gov.

[Options to bypass permitting delays](#) | [U.S. Small Business Administration](#)

SBA implemented a builder self-certification option allowing some disaster loan borrowers to bypass certain state and local permitting delays if approvals have not been received after 60 days. The policy is intended to speed up rebuilding and allow faster use of SBA disaster loan funds for recovery.

The **U.S. Small Business Administration** continues to assist individuals, businesses, and non-profits impacted by the January 2025 LA Wildfires. Disaster Loan Outreach Centers offer in person support in two locations:

- **Eaton Fire Collaborative** – The Collaboratory, 540 W. Woodbury Rd., Altadena, CA 91001, Mon-Fri 9a-6p
- **Pacific Palisades** – Ronald Reagan Palisades Post 283, 15247 La Cruz Dr., Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 Mon-Fri 8:30a-5p
- **For in-person appointments:** SBA Customer Service-(800) 659-2955, disastercustomerservice@sba.gov



Disaster Assistance



ADDITIONAL SUPPORT & FUNDING PATHWAYS



[Business and Industry
Guaranteed Loan](#)

USDA Rural Development provides loan guarantees to commercial lenders for loans to eligible rural businesses. Applications accepted from lenders year-round.



U.S. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

[Economic Development
Administration \(EDA\)](#)

Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Program (PWEAA) NOFO updated to include set-aside funding for tribal applications with the Assistance to Indigenous Communities (AIC) Addendum.



[Sustainable Agricultural Lands
Conservation Program \(SALC\)](#)

SALC supports agricultural land conservation, economic growth, and sustainable development by providing grants for three different types of projects.