

RECOVERY SUPPORT FUNCTIONS BULLETIN

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For more information on the RSF Team, visit www.caloes.ca.gov or email the team at RSFConnect@caloes.ca.gov

GovOps Primary State Coordinating Agency for Infrastructure Systems

We're pleased to announce an important change in our Infrastructure Systems Primary State Coordinating Agency. Moving forward, the California Government Operations Agency (GovOps) will assume this role. Given the wide range and complexity of responsibilities required during disaster response, GovOps is well-positioned and well-aligned to lead this function effectively.

About The RSF Team

The RSF Unit was established in 2019 under the California Disaster Recovery Framework (CDRF). Each RSF is led by a State Coordinating Agency that works with Cal OES to provide support to local jurisdictions based on their recovery needs. Cal OES follows an Outcome Driven Recovery (ODR) model that integrates the RSFs into State disaster recovery programs including Hazard Mitigation, Individual Assistance, and Public Assistance as well as the Housing, Debris, and Debris Flow Task Forces. The RSFs also coordinate with the CA-ESFs to support the transition into recovery to ensure communities receive the support needed to develop and implement long-term recovery plans and projects.

CURRENT EVENTS & UPDATES

CalOES RSF Team Response Activities to Western HAZMAT Incident (FM-3646-CA)

Upon activation, the RSF team produced a Community Impact Assessment to identify impacts of potential incident outcomes. The assessment increased the situational awareness by providing specific event related recovery processes for all six RSF areas. Team members were virtually and physically deployed to the Interim Operating Facility (IOF) as RSF liaisons to gather any relevant gaps/needs. Thank you to all the State Agencies that supported this activation!



Declared Disasters - Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG)



The FMAG is a federal grant provided by FEMA to state, local, and tribal governments for the mitigation, management, and control of active fires (suppression and response) that threaten widespread destruction that they could constitute a major disaster.

- *Sandy Fire (FM-5635-CA) - Ventura County - May 18th*
- *Bain Fire (FM-5636-CA) - Riverside County - May 20th*

LEARN MORE >>



To view Cal Fire's Current Emergency Incidents, visit www.fire.ca.gov/incidents. For more information on FEMA FMAGs, visit www.fema.gov. To find out more about FEMA Disasters and Other Declarations, click [here](#).



California Recovery Support Functions Leadership Group (CRSFLG)

The RSF team participated in this month's CRSFLG meeting hosted by CA Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

Leadership discussed several key topics including:

- Los Angeles Wildfire Recovery
- FEMA Reform Efforts
- Administrative Orders (AOs)
- Additional emerging issues and program updates.

This executive level interagency collaborative meeting is designed to strengthen interagency alignment, share federal updates and program impacts, identify gaps, emerging issues, and future preparedness needs, and ensure strategic integration between RSFs.



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Rural Hospital Provider Assistance Program - Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

The Rural Hospital Provider Assistance Program provides direct financial assistance to eligible rural hospitals facing structural payment disadvantages for the maintenance of health care providers with the goal of maintaining essential health care services and preventing avoidable closures. Eligible rural hospitals must have no more than 50 acute care inpatient beds and an established Medicare wage index value below 0.90.

APPLY NOW!

Applications are due July 27, 2026!

California Home Insurance Crisis Expands Beyond Wildfire Areas

New Research from Stanford University finds that California's homeowner's insurance challenges are increasingly affecting communities beyond traditional wildfire-prone areas. Between 2020 and 2026, average homeowner insurance premiums increased by 84%, while enrollment in the California FAIR Plan nearly tripled. Researchers found growing reliance on the FAIR Plan not only in high-risk wildfire regions but also in moderate and low risk communities, raising concerns about insurance availability, housing affordability, and access to mortgage financing across the state. The Findings highlight the growing connecting between climate resilience, insurance markets, and long-term housing recovery efforts.

Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)

BRIC funding supports pre-disaster and hazard mitigation projects, such as school safe rooms, utility hardening, relocating critical facilities out of flood areas, and securing pump stations, aiming to save lives, protect property, and reduce the cost of future disaster response and recovery.

FEMA has published the Fiscal Years 2024-25 funding opportunity for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities program. The application period is open for 120 days and the deadline for submissions is July 23, 2026.

Eligible applicants and subapplicants must apply through the FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO) portal. The full Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is published on Grants.gov.

Previous sub applications submitted for the initial BRIC funding opportunity published in January 2025 will not be reviewed. FEMA encourages applicants and sub applicants to review, update and resubmit new applications in accordance with this new Fiscal Years 2024-25 BRIC funding opportunity.

APPLY NOW!

Deadline for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Fiscal Year 2024 & 2025 is July 23, 2026.

NOFO: **Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program Funding Opportunity for Fiscal Years 2024-25**



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FEMA

Fiscal Year 2026 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program

The Emergency Management Performance Grant Program focuses on all-hazards emergency preparedness. The primary objective is to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial emergency management agencies to implement the National Preparedness System and to support the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. NOTE: EMPG funding can be used for recovery planning activities including disaster housing planning and development of pre- and post-disaster recovery plans. Please check out the Notice of Funding Opportunity for more information.

Closing date for applications is July 15, 2026!

APPLY NOW!

Eligibility Information

- State Governments
- Either the SSA or the EMA is eligible to apply directly to FEMA for EMPG Program funds on behalf of each state or territory.

Preparing for Weather and Emergencies



CA Department of Education:

- [Senate Bill 1248: Extreme Weather Guidelines](#)
- [School Air Quality Activity Recommendations](#)



CA Department of Public Health:

- [Employers: Protect Your Workers from Indoor Heat](#)
- [Employers: Protect Your Workers from Outdoor Heat](#)



U.S. Small Business Administration:

- [Prepare for Emergencies](#)



Upcoming Long-Term Housing Recovery (LTHR) Monthly Meeting: July 23rd, 2026 | 2pm-3pm

Information on topics of conversation, guest speakers, and more coming soon!

Email RSFConnect@caloes.ca.gov to request an invite!



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FEMA Makes \$56 Million Available to American Communities for Flood Risk Management

FEMA is disbursing \$56 million through **two** separate grant programs that enhance the nation's resilience to floods by supporting communities participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

- **FY 2026 Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) grant** - *Applications close August 17th, 2026*
 - This funding is used to develop, maintain and deliver high-quality flood maps that enable local leaders to identify, manage and communicate their community's unique flood threats and reduce risk.
- **FY 2026 Community Assistance Program - State Support Services Element (CAP-SSSE)** - *Applications close August 11th, 2026*
 - This funding is used to help communities meet FEMA's floodplain management regulations, continuously improve risk analysis and proactively take steps to manage risk.



FEMA

CalAssist Mortgage Fund Expands Eligibility

The California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA) has expanded eligibility for the CalAssist Mortgage fund to allow homeowners with multiple properties, including commercial and residential, to qualify for up to 12 months of mortgage assistance for their primary residence (secondary/vacation/investment properties remain ineligible).

Homeowners with a HELOC (with no other mortgage ahead of it) may now also apply. Income limits have been updated to align with HCD's annual income adjustments - the Los Angeles County limit is now \$285,400 (county-by-county limits available on the program website).

Applications are free and funds never need to be repaid.

Recovery partners are encouraged to share this resource as funding is limited and applications are reviewed on a first-come, first served-basis.

Learn More: [CalAssist Mortgage Fund](#)



Future Infrastructure and Natural & Cultural Resources Bi-Monthly Meeting: August 12rd, 2026 | 2pm-3pm

Information on topics of conversation, guest speakers, and more coming soon!

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Infrastructure (ISRF Program) Loans

The Infrastructure State Revolving Fund (ISRF) Program is authorized to directly provide low-cost public financing to state and local government entities.

A few examples of ISRF financed projects include water and wastewater treatment plant upgrades or construction, venue or airport construction or street repair and upgrades.

Eligible applicants must be located in California and include any subdivision of a local government, including cities, counties, special districts, assessment districts, joint powers authorities and nonprofit organizations sponsored by a government entity.

Click the image to learn more!



Infrastructure State Revolving Fund Program

CALIFORNIA INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK

IBank Infrastructure Loans for Municipalities

The California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank) is a state agency that finances economic development and public infrastructure.

IBank's Infrastructure State Revolving Fund program provides low-cost, direct financing to local governments as well as nonprofits sponsored by public agencies for a wide variety of public infrastructure and economic expansion projects that improve and sustain communities. We focus on small and mid-sized local governments and special districts – including those in underserved regions and communities.

Eligible Applicants (including, but not limited to):

- Municipalities and any subdivisions of local government – counties, cities, etc.
- Special districts
- Public benefit, tax-exempt nonprofits (with eligible sponsorship)



Eligible Projects (including, but not limited to):

- Streets, highways, and public transit
- Water, sewage, and solid waste
- Ports, parks, and recreational facilities
- Organic recycling projects
- Zero emissions vehicle fleets, maintenance vehicles, school buses, charging stations
- Infrastructure related to housing

Sources of Financing Repayment

- Water sewer and other enterprise revenues
- General fund revenues
- Property assessments
- Mello Roos special taxes
- Other recurring revenues acceptable to IBank

Fees

- Origination fee – The greater of \$25,000 or 1% of the original loan amount



Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) Round 6 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Grant (FY 25-26) - Strategic Growth Council

The TCC Program furthers the purposes of AB 32 (Nunez, 2006) and AB 2722 (Burke, 2016) by funding projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) through the development and implementation of neighborhood-level transformative climate community plans that include multiple coordinated GHG emissions reduction projects that provide local economic, environmental, and health benefits to disadvantaged communities.

Applications for these grants are due by September 30, 2026, individual award amounts are capped at \$5 million, and there is no matched funding requirement.

Eligible applicants include:

- Nonprofits
- Public Agencies
- Tribal Governments



Project Areas must be designated as disadvantaged communities per the TCC Guidelines, and may include eligible incorporated, unincorporated, and Tribal areas within federally recognized Tribal territories.



Upcoming Economic RSF Statewide Partner Coordination Meeting: July 14th, 2026 | 1pm-2pm

The Economic RSF asks for your help developing a comprehensive statewide inventory of business resilience and disaster recovery resources to support communities and business prepare for and recover from disasters. **Please use the link below** to contribute your agency and other resources. And share the link with your network!

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



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