

California Department of Housing and Community Development

ReCoverCA Monthly Newsletter – September 2023

ReCoverCA OOR and OOM 2020 Launching Very Soon!

ReCoverCA Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation and Reconstruction (OOR) and Owner-Occupied Mitigation (OOM) programs will open very soon! 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 will be 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.



To follow additional updates, please:

- Visit the ReCoverCA website at www.hcd.ca.gov/recoverca
- Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ReCoverCA
- Sign up for the [ReCoverCA Monthly Newsletter](#).

ReCoverCA Staff Weekly Presence at BRC

ReCoverCA staff, including Case Managers, will have a consistent weekly presence at the Butte Building Resiliency Center (BRC). Team members will be onsite and available to assist with applications, Program information, and other questions every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9am-5pm Pacific Time. Case Managers will be able to help ReCoverCA OOR applicants with document collection and provide other face-to-

face assistance. The BRC also has computers where Applicants can complete any needed documentation via Adobe Sign, upload information into eGrants, and scan documents for inclusion in the application.

The BRC is located in Paradise, California, at 6295 Skyway Rd. If you would like more information about BRC, or to make an appointment, please call (530) 872-6291, ext. 411. Please note that the BRC closes every day from 12-1pm.

Reminder: Change to Duplication of Benefits (DOB) Policy Takes Effect October 2023

The [Disaster Recovery Reform Act](#) of 2018 (DRRA) will expire on October 5, 2023. DRRA exempted certain kinds of subsidized loans (such as CalHome Loans) used for housing rehabilitation or reconstruction from counting as Duplication of Benefits (DOB). OOR applicants using a CalHome Loan to fill the gap between their OOR award and the full cost to rebuild will not be able to do so after October 5. If you are working with a [ReCoverCA Case Manager](#) on an OOR application, ask them how the federal DRRA expiration may affect your unique reconstruction needs. Case Managers can work with applicants to identify potential DOB adjustment solutions if needed, such as a scope reduction or other offsets outlined in the ReCoverCA OOR [Policies and Procedures](#).

Schedule an Outreach Event!

Staff are available to schedule a ReCoverCA outreach event in your community. If you would like to help us spread the word about OOR and disaster assistance, ReCoverCA staff are able to provide community partners with information and materials, both print and digital. We are also available to host program overview presentations and question and answer sessions with homeowners interested in OOR funding.

If you work with a city or county agency, non-profit, or other community organization and are interested in requesting or hosting a virtual or in-person event, please contact us at ReCoverCA@hcd.ca.gov or call (916) 202-1764.



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