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## Services continue to be available for Blue Cut Fire victims





Blue Cut Fire victims who are still without housing, electricity and other basic needs are urged to call 2-1-1 or (877) 410-8829 so they can be connected with services and resources through the American Red Cross and other nonprofit and government agencies.



People who are specifically in need of housing will be connected to an American Red Cross caseworker who will evaluate their situation and provide services.



A directory of state, federal, local and nonprofit Blue Cut Fire services and resources is also available at <a href="https://www.sbcounty.gov">www.sbcounty.gov</a>.

The County of San Bernardino is also continuing to provide property tax relief, information on debris removal and cash aid to people affected by the Blue Cut Fire.

San Bernardino County departments quickly mobilized to assist those who suffered losses and trauma from the fire which destroyed more than 100 homes and burned more than 36,000 acres along the Cajon Pass.

The Assessor's Office is conducting field inspections to identify properties that were damaged, and offering property tax relief for property owners who had loss of structures and damage. Also people who have lost vital records such as birth, marriage and death certificates are being provided with replacement copies by the Recorder-Clerk.

Cash aid, food stamps and child care are being provided to by the Transitional Assistance Department for people who are in need of those services.

The Environmental Health Services Division is providing information and guidance to people who have wells that may have incurred damage from the fire.

The Inland Empire United Way Fire Relief Fund is continuing to work with community partners to assess and address unmet needs and is accepting cash donations to assist with this effort. Cash donations can be made online at <a href="www.IEUW.org/help">www.IEUW.org/help</a>, by texting RELIEF to 40403, or by check made payable to Inland Empire United Way, and sent to IEUW Fire Fund, 9644 Hermosa Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730.