

Unemployment for Workers Impacted by the LA Wildfires

If your work and wages have been impacted by the LA wildfires, there are two main programs administered by the Employment Development Department to help replace your lost wages:



Unemployment Insurance (UI): For those with sufficient base period earnings who lost their job through no fault of their own.

In LA County, the waiting week has been waived, so benefits are available for the first week of lost wages.



Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA):

For those not eligible for UI, including:

- Self-employed individuals
- Individuals impacted by the death of a head of household

Benefits begin the week of January 12, 2025.

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In-Person Help:

Visit EDD at the Disaster Recovery Centers at UCLA or PCC.

Contact EDD for Support:

Dedicated lines for those impacted by the fires:

English: 1-833-998-2284 Spanish: 1-855-964-0634 Other Languages: 1-800-300-5616

Online

Disaster Unemployment Assistance Disaster-Related Services

Apply Now!

- Submit one application for UI and DUA.
- Indicate that you've been impacted by the wildfire.
- EDD will process your application and determine eligibility.

