



When the Smoke Clears: Understanding Your Rights as a Tenant After the LA Fires

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Presentation Resources

- [Presentation Recording](#)
- [Presentation Slides](#)
- Sample Letters
 - [2025 Security Deposit and Prorated Rent Demand Letter](#)
 - [2025 Pro-Rated Rent Request](#)
 - [2025 Habitability Demand Letter](#)
- [Recovering Together—A Community Gathering](#): Attend a drop-in supportive gathering led by Entertainment Community Fund social workers every **Tuesday at noon** to connect with others who understand the unique challenges that this disaster has on the industry. Please create a [Portal Account](#) and register to join.

Emergency Assistance Funds

- [LA County Worker Relief Fund](#): Workers impacted financially by the windstorm and wildfires may be eligible for a cash assistance grant. **Deadline: March 12, 2025.**
- [LA County Household Relief Grant](#): Offers immediate financial assistance to those impacted and displaced due to the windstorm events. **Deadline: March 12, 2025.**

- [Restaurants Cares](#): Food and beverage workers impacted by the fires may be eligible for a grant. **Deadline: March 31, 2025.**

LA County Resources

- [LA County Planning \(address lookup\)](#)
- [Rent Stabilization and Tenant Protections \(LA County, Chapter 8.52\)](#)
- [Consumer & Business Affairs, Rent Stabilization Program](#)
- [Consumer & Business Affairs, Relocation FAQ](#)
- [LA County Public Health, Housing Inspections](#)

City of Pasadena Resources

- [Find My District—City of Pasadena \(address lookup\)](#)
- [Pasadena Fair and Equitable Housing Charter Amendment \(Article XVIII\)](#)
- [Pasadena Department of Housing](#)
- [Pasadena Tenant Resources](#)
- [Pasadena Tenant FAQs](#)
- [Pasadena City Service Center](#)
- [File a Complaint—Planning & Community Development Department](#)
- [Pasadena Relocation Fact Sheet \(2023-2024\)](#)
- [Pasadena Rental Housing Board \(PRHB\) Buy-Out Rights](#)
- [Contact Housing Counselor, Rent Stabilization Department](#)
- [Pasadena Notice of Intent to Terminate](#)

City of Los Angeles

- [LA City Property Lookup \(address lookup\)](#)
- [ZIMAS](#)
- [City of Los Angeles Housing Department](#)
- [Los Angeles Housing Department—RSO \(Rent Stabilization Ordinance\) Overview](#)
- [Los Angeles Housing Department—Resources for Renters](#)

State of California Resources

- [California Tenants—A Guide to Residential Tenants’ and Landlords’ Rights and Responsibilities, Rev. 2022](#)
- [Renters’ Rights Under the Tenant Protection Act](#)

- [Resources for Californians Impacted by LA Fires](#)

Additional Resources

- [Stay Housed LA](#)
- [Tenant Power Toolkit](#)
- [How-To Guides, Legal Aid Foundation of LA](#)
- [Sample Letters](#)