

## Links to Websites

Clicking some of the following links will take you to a site outside of the L.A. County website.

### Resources after a disaster

- *INFO LINE of Los Angeles disaster resources page* - [www.infoline-la.org/disaster.html](http://www.infoline-la.org/disaster.html)

### General disaster preparedness information

- *Emergency Survival Program* - [www.espfocus.org](http://www.espfocus.org)
- *The Community Preparedness Website Project in the Bay Area has information addressing the particular needs of people with disabilities and other vulnerable populations* - [www.PrepareNow.org](http://www.PrepareNow.org)
- *Disasters and people with disabilities* - [www.citycent.com/dp2/index.html](http://www.citycent.com/dp2/index.html), and [www.jik.com/disaster.html](http://www.jik.com/disaster.html).
- *Information on pets and other animals* - [http://www.horsereview.com/disaster\\_preparedness\\_directory.htm](http://www.horsereview.com/disaster_preparedness_directory.htm)
- *Using sustainable technologies to recover from disaster: Operation Fresh Start* - [www.sustainable.doe.gov/freshstart/](http://www.sustainable.doe.gov/freshstart/)
- *Information on Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT)* - <http://www.cert-la.com/>
- *LA City Emergency Preparedness Department* - [www.lacity.org/epd/](http://www.lacity.org/epd/)
- *LA City Fire Department* - <http://www.lafd.org/eqindex.htm>
- *LA County Fire Department* - <http://www.lacofd.org/epevents.htm>
- *LA County Department of Public Works* - <http://dpw.co.la.ca.us/sitemap.cfm>
- *LA County Department of Public Social Services* - [http://www.ladpss.org/dpss/emergency\\_management/default\\_disaster.cfm](http://www.ladpss.org/dpss/emergency_management/default_disaster.cfm)
- *City of Palos Verdes* - [www.palosverdes.com/rpv/citymanager/index.cfm](http://www.palosverdes.com/rpv/citymanager/index.cfm)
- *City of Torrance* - [www.torrcnet.com](http://www.torrcnet.com) (Click on Torrance Police Department and then on emergency services.)
- Information on CERT programs is available at <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/CERT/>
- Information on the federal declaration process is available at <http://www.fema.gov/library/dproc.shtm>
- Information on the Neighborhood Watch program is available at [www.Sheriffs.org/crime\\_prevention.htm](http://www.Sheriffs.org/crime_prevention.htm)

### General disaster information sites

- *California Governor's Office of Emergency Services* - <http://www.oes.ca.gov>
- *FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Administration)* - [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)
- *OSHA workplace preparedness information* - [www.osha-slc.gov/SLTC/smallbusiness/sec10.html](http://www.osha-slc.gov/SLTC/smallbusiness/sec10.html)
- *California Seismic Safety Commission* - [www.seismic.ca.gov/](http://www.seismic.ca.gov/)
- *National Hazards Center Newsletter* - [www.colorado.edu/hazards/dr/dr.html](http://www.colorado.edu/hazards/dr/dr.html)
- *American Red Cross "Talking About Disaster - Standard Messages"* - [www.redcross.org/disaster/safety/guide.html](http://www.redcross.org/disaster/safety/guide.html)
- *US Department of the Interior* - [www.doi.gov/nathaz/index.html](http://www.doi.gov/nathaz/index.html)
- *Children and disasters* - [www.ag.uiuc.edu/~disaster/teacher/teacher.html](http://www.ag.uiuc.edu/~disaster/teacher/teacher.html)
- *The National Geophysical Data Center (NGDC) natural hazards data web site contains databases, slide sets, and publications available from NGDC on geophysical hazards such as earthquakes, tsunamis, and volcanoes* - [www.ngdc.noaa.gov/seg/hazard/hazards.html](http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/seg/hazard/hazards.html).
- *Multihazard maps and information from FEMA and Environmental Systems Research Institute developed under Project Impact* - [www.esri.com/hazards](http://www.esri.com/hazards).
- *The California Environmental Resources Evaluation System (CERES) at [www.ceres.ca.gov](http://www.ceres.ca.gov) is an information system developed by the California Resources Agency site provides information on earthquakes (<http://www.ceres.ca.gov/theme/earthquakes.html>), the El Nino phenomenon (<http://www.ceres.ca.gov/elnino>), and wildfire (<http://www.ceres.ca.gov/theme/fire.html>), and floods (<http://www.ceres.ca.gov/flood>).*

## Websites with information about terrorism

- *American Red Cross terrorism preparedness information* - <http://www.redcross.org/services/disaster/keepsafe/unexpected.html>
- *FEMA's DisasterHelp web site* - <https://disasterhelp.gov/portal/jhtml/index.jhtml>
- *Mail-handling procedures from the Postal Service* - <http://www.uh.edu/postal/handling.html>
  
- *US Department of Health and Human Services tips for helping children, adults, families, and emergency workers* - <http://www.mentalhealth.org/cmhs/emergencyservices/after.asp>
  
- *LA County Public Health information* - [www.labt.org](http://www.labt.org).
- *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention* - <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/>
  
- *Homeland Security* - <http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/>
- *FBI terrorism information* - <http://www.fbi.gov/terrorinfo/terrorism.htm>
- *Department of Defense* - <http://www.defenselink.mil/specials/homeland/>
- *National Institute for Occupational Health and Safety* - <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/emres/>
- *Department of Agriculture information about the food supply* - <http://www.usda.gov/homelandsecurity/homeland.html>
- *Traveling? See the State Department travel advisories* - <http://travel.state.gov/> and the *Transportation Security Authority* - <http://www.tsa.gov/public/>
- *Citizen Corps preparedness information* - [http://www.citizen corps.gov/ready/cc\\_pubs.shtml](http://www.citizen corps.gov/ready/cc_pubs.shtml)
- *Oklahoma City Center for the Prevention of Terrorism provides quality information and links to other sites* - [www.mipt.org/](http://www.mipt.org/)

## Earthquakes

- *What on earth is plate tectonics?* - <http://wrgis.wr.usgs.gov/docs/parks/pltec/ptnut.pdf>
- *Recent earthquakes in California and Nevada* - <http://quake.wr.usgs.gov/recenteqs/faq.html>
- *USGS Pasadena website* - <http://pasadena.wr.usgs.gov/>
- *Trinet information* (including shakemaps) - <http://www.trinet.org/shake/>
- *USGS general information about earthquakes* - <http://pubs.usgs.gov/gip/earthq1/>
- *USGS instructional materials* - <http://quake.wr.usgs.gov/info/basics.html>
- *The earthquake threat for your zip code* - <http://eqint.cr.usgs.gov/eq/html/zipcode.shtml>
- *This Dynamic Earth* USGS facts about plate tectonics - <http://pubs.usgs.gov/publications/text/dynamic.html>
- *The San Andreas Fault*- USGS information on this major fault - <http://pubs.usgs.gov/gip/earthq3/>
- *Earthquakes around the world* - <http://www.earthquake.usgs.gov/>

## Floods, tsunami, and other weather emergencies

- *National Hurricane Center* - [www.nhc.noaa.gov/](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/)
- *National Weather Service* - [www.nws.noaa.gov/](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/); Los Angeles office - [www.nwsla.noaa.gov/](http://www.nwsla.noaa.gov/)
- *National tsunami hazard mitigation program* - [www.pmel.noaa.gov/tsunami-hazard/](http://www.pmel.noaa.gov/tsunami-hazard/)
- *FEMA on the National Flood Insurance Program* - <http://www.fema.gov/nfip/qanda.htm>
- *Heat wave predictions map* - [www.cpc.noaa.gov/products/predictions/hi\\_outlook.html](http://www.cpc.noaa.gov/products/predictions/hi_outlook.html)
- *West Coast and Alaska Tsunami Warning Center* - <http://wcatwc.gov/main.htm>

## Fires

- *US National Fire Plan* - [www.fireplan.gov](http://www.fireplan.gov)
- *Firewise* is a website created for people who live, vacation, or own structures in wildfire-prone areas - [www.firewise.org/](http://www.firewise.org/).
- *The National Interagency Fire Center* - [www.nifc.gov](http://www.nifc.gov).

- FEMA wildfire prevention information - [www.fema.gov/library/wildlanf.htm](http://www.fema.gov/library/wildlanf.htm)

#### **Air disasters**

- National Transportation Safety Board (Federal lead agency in air crash disasters) - [www.nts.gov/](http://www.nts.gov/)
- Aviation Safety Network - <http://aviation-safety.net/index.shtml>

#### **International disasters**

- US State Department archive - <http://www.state.gov/www/issues/relief/gdin.html>
- Non-governmental organizations in international disasters - [www.interaction.org](http://www.interaction.org), [www.reliefweb.int/w/rwb.nsf](http://www.reliefweb.int/w/rwb.nsf)
- Information on international disasters from Reuters Foundation - [www.alertnet.org/](http://www.alertnet.org/)

#### **Nonprofits active in disaster**

- Emergency Network Los Angeles - [www.enla.org](http://www.enla.org)
- American Red Cross (ARC) - national website - [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)
- Local ARC chapters:

Los Angeles - [www.acrossla.org/](http://www.acrossla.org/)  
 San Gabriel Valley - <http://www.redcross.org/ca/sgva/>  
 Long Beach - <http://www.greaterlongbeachrc.org/>  
 Rio Hondo - <http://www.arcriohondo.org/>  
 Glendale - <http://www.arcglendale.org/>;  
 Santa Monica - <http://www.redcrossofsantamonica.org/>  
 Claremont - <http://www.redcross.org/ca/claremont/>;  
 Arcadia - <http://www.redcross.org/ca/arcadia/>  
 LA area blood services - <http://www.redcross.org/ca/socal/>

- Operation USA - [www.opusa.org](http://www.opusa.org)
- INFO LINE - [www.infoline-la.org/](http://www.infoline-la.org/)
- Los Angeles Regional Foodbank - [www.lafightshunger.org/](http://www.lafightshunger.org/)
- NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters) - [www.nvoad.org](http://www.nvoad.org)

#### **Legislation websites**

- Federal legislation - <http://thomas.loc.gov/>
- US law - <http://uscode.house.gov/usc.htm>, <http://www4.law.cornell.edu/uscode/>
- California law - [www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html](http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html)
- US Supreme Court - <http://supct.law.cornell.edu/supct/>
- The Stafford Act (defines federal government relief services both to governments, nonprofits, and the public) - <http://www.fema.gov/library/stafact.shtml>
- Los Angeles County Code 2.68 - [http://ordlink.com/cgi-bin/hilite.pl/codes/lacounty/ DATA/TITLE02/Chapter\\_2\\_68\\_EMERGENCY\\_SERVICES\\_2/index.html](http://ordlink.com/cgi-bin/hilite.pl/codes/lacounty/ DATA/TITLE02/Chapter_2_68_EMERGENCY_SERVICES_2/index.html)

#### **General research websites**

- Dictionaries and research tools - <http://dictionary.cambridge.org/>
- Emergency management terminology - <http://lacoa.org/definitions.htm>

### Some emergency management mail lists you can join

- NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster)- register at [www.nvoad.org](http://www.nvoad.org) , and subscribe at the NVOADnews link.
- IAEM (International Association of Emergency Managers) mail list: sign up at [www.iaem.com](http://www.iaem.com), follow links to subscribe to the "Emergency Management Discussion List."
- Cal-EPI-an email community for information officers, journalists, and others interested in emergency public information in California and beyond. To subscribe, send email to "[Cal-EPI-request@incident.com](mailto:Cal-EPI-request@incident.com)" with the word "subscribe" in the message body.
- FEMA E-Mail News Service - subscribe by sending an e-mail message to [majordomo@fema.gov](mailto:majordomo@fema.gov) with the single command in the body of the message: "subscribe news."
- Networks in Emergency Management (Nets) focuses on computer networks to support emergency management- subscribe by sending an e-mail message to [majordomo@sfu.ca](mailto:majordomo@sfu.ca) with the single command in the body of the message: "subscribe nets-em [your e-mail address]."
- Natural-Hazards-Disasters is an e-mail discussion list for anyone interested in natural hazards and disasters (hosted by the Benfield Greig Hazard Research Centre, University College London) - subscribe by sending an e-mail message to [mailbase@mailbase.ac.uk](mailto:mailbase@mailbase.ac.uk) with the command in the body of the message: "join natural-hazards-disasters [your first name, your last name]."
- Disaster Survivor Support group (a peer support network for anyone who has endured a disaster, including families who have lost loved ones) - <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DisasterSurvivorSupport>.

### Pager or email notification of disasters

- Earthquake notifications - [http://pasadena.wr.usgs.gov/latest/mailling\\_lists.html](http://pasadena.wr.usgs.gov/latest/mailling_lists.html)
- California Emergency Digital Information (EDIS) notifications via email - [www.incident.com](http://www.incident.com)

### Urban legends, computer viruses

- Is that computer virus real? - [www.vmyths.com/](http://www.vmyths.com/)
- Urban legends? Rumors spread over the Internet? - [www.urbanlegends.com/](http://www.urbanlegends.com/)
- US Department of Energy on hoaxes - <http://hoaxbusters.ciac.org/>

### For more links, go to

- CBS News Disaster Links - [www.disasterlinks.net/](http://www.disasterlinks.net/)
- National Hazards Center - [www.colorado.edu/hazards/sites/sites.html](http://www.colorado.edu/hazards/sites/sites.html)