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## **CALIFORNIA FIREFIGHTERS BENEVOLENT FUND RELIEF APPLICATION**

The California Firefighters Benevolent Fund provides assistance and support to California firefighters displaced or impacted by fire or disaster (to include fire, earthquake, flooding, landslides/mudslides), firefighters injured or killed in the line of duty, and families of fallen firefighters.

### **Benefit Levels:**

1. **Loss or damage to primary residence.** California firefighters who have been impacted by fire or other disaster with a minimum of 25% damage to the primary residence. Only one request will be considered per residence. Applications must be submitted within 60 days of the fire or disaster. Eligible firefighters will receive a \$1,000 check for immediate relief.
2. **Line of duty injury.** This benefit is for active line of duty injuries that are directly related to delivering emergency services (to include training injuries) and not intended for long-term cumulative workers compensation injuries or illnesses that manifest themselves over time. Hospital admittance of at least 48 hours is required for eligibility. \$1,000 will be distributed for the first 48 hours to 6 days of hospitalization, with an additional \$500 per week up to a maximum of \$5,000.
3. **Line of duty death.** The line of duty death benefit is designed for line of duty deaths (as determined by the employing agency), that occur directly related to providing emergency services or training. A letter from the Fire Chief ([view/download template letter](#)) stating the death was job-related or proof of workers' compensation (or other documentation) showing that the death was occupationally-related is required.
4. **Behavioral health.** At the recommendation of the Executive Director and approval of the Benevolent Fund Advisory Committee, a grant may be awarded to assist firefighters with job related behavioral health issues that require in-house care of hospitalization. Such grants are limited to no more than \$5,000 and will be reported to the Board of Directors consistent with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Regulations.

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis, and you will receive email confirmation upon receipt and review of your application. Applications must be verified and signed by leadership from your local or fire department.

**Please submit this application, along with supporting documentation (i.e. pictures, medical records, letter from Fire Chief) to the California Fire Foundation by emailing [benevolent@cpf.org](mailto:benevolent@cpf.org).** Please call the Foundation at 800-890-3213 with questions.





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<b>Mailing Information</b>
Mailing address you wish to receive these funds at: (List address): _____

<b>Verification</b>
<b>Applicant Verification:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> I attest that the information in this application is true and accurate. Signature: _____ Date: _____ Printed name: _____
<b>Fire Department Verification:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> I attest that the information in this application is true and accurate. Signature: _____ Date: _____ Printed name: _____ Position: _____

<b>**CALIFORNIA FIRE FOUNDATION USE ONLY** - Executive Director Review</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied	Date: _____
Signature: _____	Printed Name: _____

California firefighters are eligible for assistance if they had a loss due to the eligibility criteria listed above. Applicants must provide evidence and documentation for their claim as requested by the California Fire Foundation. Funds are NOT awarded for property repairs, renovation or construction. Funds are also NOT for replacement of food after loss of power NOR are funds awarded to those who were required to evacuate their homes prior or during the disaster but where catastrophic damage did not occur.