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# SPECIAL BULLETIN

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***Assessor Prang Announces Online***

***Disaster Relief Filing for Homeowners***

**Los Angeles, CA** - Los Angeles County Assessor Jeff Prang is making it easier than ever for property owners impacted by recent wildfires to access disaster relief. The new online Disaster Relief e-Form allows homeowners to file the *Misfortune & Calamity* (M&C) Claim form online—anytime, anywhere—using any electronic device including from a smart phone.

This enhancement is part of the Assessor's commitment to modernizing services and improving accessibility for property owners. Additionally, with an e-Service account, property owners no longer need to rely solely on traditional mail, phone calls, or in-person visits, although those options remain available. Instead, they can access services instantly via their email-linked account.

The M&C Claim program helps property owners affected by wildfires and other natural disasters qualify for reassessment at a reduced property value, lowering their property tax bills during recovery.

#### **Key Qualifications for the M&C Program:**

Property damage must exceed \$10,000.

Claims must be filed within 12 months of the disaster date.

Filing is easy: visit [ADS-820 Misfortune & Calamity e-Form](#) to review required documents, complete the form, and submit it online.

#### **Additional Benefits for Fire-Affected Property Owners:**

**Tax Deferrals:** Property owners who don't pay taxes through an impound account may qualify to defer property taxes while their M&C claim is under review, in coordination with the Treasurer-Tax Collector's Office. Homeowners with impound accounts are encouraged to contact their mortgage lenders for assistance programs.

**Register Fire Damaged Property** - Assessor Prang is also encouraging property owners impacted by the fires to register for a personal [e-Service account](#) associated with their property on the Assessor's website. By registering a personal and confidential account, property owners can keep the Assessor's Office informed of their contact information and access the status of **Homeowners' Exemption claims** and **Change of Mailing Address Requests** they have submitted. Without updated contact information, the Assessor's Office will be forced to rely on the mailing address for property, which may have been destroyed in the fire. Property owners can create an account on the Assessor's website under "My Account."

e-Service features available to property owners include:

**Homeowner Alert:** To help combat fraud, property owners will receive email notifications within 48 hours of key activities on your property records.

**e-File Services:** Simplify paperwork by:

Filing a Change of Mailing Address Request.

Submitting a **Homeowners' Exemption** form electronically.

For more information or to file your claim, visit [assessor.lacounty.gov](http://assessor.lacounty.gov) today.

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