Notice to Landlord of Inability to Pay Rent due to the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Wildfire Events—Instructions

The following Notice to Landlord of Inability to Pay Rent ("Notice") template can be used to provide your landlord with notice of your inability to pay rent due to circumstances related to the January 2025 Windstorm and Critical Wildfire Events ("County Wildfires") within seven (7) days of your rent becoming due or by March 4, 2025 for rent owed for February 2025. Please note these protections are in effect through July 30, 2025 for qualifying tenants who have a direct financial impact from the County Wildfires.

Instructions:

- 1. Fill out the Notice completely.
- 2. Provide a copy of the Notice to your landlord within seven (7) days of <u>each month</u> your rent being due if unable to pay your rent; or by March 4, 2025 for rent owed for February 2025. Below, indicate the method in which you provided notice to your landlord(s). The Los Angeles County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) recommends providing notice either by email or certified mail.

☐ Email to	Date Sent:
☐ Certified mail sent to	Date Sent:
☐ First Class mail sent to	Date Sent:
☐ Other (specify)	Date Sent:

3. Save a copy of the Notice for your records.

While supporting documents are not required to be submitted with the self-attestation, we highly encourage qualifying tenants, including tenants who rent a mobilehome from a mobilehome owner (collectively "tenants"), to provide their landlords with supporting documents demonstrating their Direct Financial Impacts. Examples of supporting documents that may be submitted to your landlord for review include, but are not limited to the following: pay stubs showing reduced income, payment receipts, letters from employers or other evidence of loss of income, proof of application or eligibility of a relief program for County emergency, unemployment benefits or other income assistance programs, and job applications or logs reflecting income replacement efforts. You may want to consider removing personal identifying information, including but not limited to Social Security Numbers, ITIN, driver's license numbers, banking information, or any other personal banking information from any supporting documents before sharing.

NOTE: Should your landlord take you to court, you may be required to produce documentation to prove you are a qualified tenant and have direct financial impacts at the time you provided the Notice. Please consult with a private attorney or, if qualified, reach out to Stay Housed L.A. at 888-694-0040 if you need legal assistance.

Please note that the Resolution does not provide a waiver of rent. It simply provides more time to pay any rental debt incurred during the Resolution's protection period from February 1, 2025 through July 31, 2025. Landlords may not impose late fees, interest, or other charges for rental debt incurred during the Resolution's protection period. Tenants will have up to twelve (12) months to repay any rental debt incurred during the Resolution's protection period. Tenants are encouraged to make partial payments if they can afford to do so. DCBA offers free mediation services for tenants and landlords who wish to work out a payment plan. Please contact us at (800) 593-8222 to learn more.

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On February 25, 2025, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors adopted a Resolution enacting countywide temporary eviction protections for qualifying residential tenants, including tenants who rent a mobilehome from a mobilehome owner (collectively "tenants"), facing evictions for non-payment of rent due to the recent wildfires and windstorms in Los Angeles County ("County Wildfires") between February 1, 2025 and July 31, 2025 ("Protection Period"). The Resolution applies to tenants Countywide, including incorporated cities in Los Angeles County and establishes the County's temporary, emergency tenant protections as the baseline for all incorporated cities within the County. This includes incorporated cities that may enact their own local emergency protections due to the County Wildfires to the extent the city's protections do not include the same or greater tenant protections as the County's Resolution.

This letter is to inform you that I am a qualifying tenant and have experienced direct financial impact(s) due to the County Wildfires. By submitting this attestation, I certify that I am a Qualifying Tenant who has experienced Direct Financial Impacts, as defined under the Resolution, as follows:

¹ Income limits are established pursuant to Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, or as otherwise defined in California Health and Safety Code section 50079.5)



DCBA strongly recommends you consult with legal counsel.

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Date:
Tenant(s)/Mobilehome Space Renter(s) Name:
I have included the following documents as verification of my inability to pay rent due to financial hardship related to the windstorm and critical wildfire events. I understand I may not be required to provide documentation, but have enclosed the following to further support my claim (Check all that apply):
☐ Pay stubs showing reduced income
☐ Payment receipts
\square Letters from employers or other evidence of loss of income
\square Job applications or logs reflecting income replacement efforts
\Box Proof of application for, or eligibility of, relief programs for County Wildfires or proof of applying for unemployment benefits or other qualifying income assistance programs
☐ Other (specify):
Please note that these documents are to be kept confidential and only used to verify my financial hardship due to windstorm and critical wildfire events.
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