



Long-Term Recovery Group

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An aerial photograph showing a vast area of residential destruction. The landscape is covered in a layer of brown ash and charred debris. Many houses have been reduced to rubble, with only the foundations and some skeletal remains of structures visible. The streets are filled with wreckage, and the surrounding area shows signs of significant environmental damage, including dead trees and scorched vegetation. The overall scene conveys the scale and impact of the disaster.

OUR MISSION:

ROC Sonoma County is a collaborative network that addresses the long-term recovery needs related to the disaster of the 2017 Sonoma County Fires.

What is ROC?



- Long Term Recovery Groups (LTRGs) are initiated by FEMA after a community disaster
- Participants are a voluntary collaboration of community organizations working together to provide services
- Groups typically exist for 3-5 years

Who are the participants in ROC Sonoma?



How does it work?



Who is eligible for help from ROC Sonoma?



A clients' journey



1. People impacted by the fire **sign up for help.**

2. Case managers determine eligibility, conduct a needs assessment, and **develop a recovery plan** to help people navigate government, insurance, and nonprofit resources.



3. When other resources have been utilized, case managers quantify **unmet needs** and work with **philanthropic partners** to meet those financial needs.

What has ROC Sonoma accomplished to date?



- Met with 1,325 clients to assess needs (13,000+ interactions)
- Many clients needed only minor assistance
 - Replacement of uninsured equipment essential for a home based office that was destroyed in the fire.
 - Gap funding for rent while transitioning to a new home.
- DCMS are currently working with 386 clients to create recovery plans
- 275 cases are Levels 3 & 4 which means total loss and limited recovery resources
- DCMS have helped 335 clients to full recovery

What has ROC Sonoma accomplished to date?



- Housing Committee (Rental and Construction)
 - Helped re-house over 200 renters who lost their rentals in the disaster
 - Partnered with the City of Santa Rosa to provide 48 housing choice vouchers to the most vulnerable
- Disbursed over \$2.4M of direct client assistance to fire survivors, with over half being considered extremely low income based on HUD income guidelines
- Partnered with Hope City to do volunteer rebuilds for homeowners at \$150,000 per home

ROC Resource Center



ROC Resource Center is a one stop location for serving fire survivors

- 698 individuals visited the Resource Center
- 30 individuals/month receive help with case work (pre-case management assistance)
- 85 distinct events for fire survivors (e.g. group counseling, trauma-informed yoga, insurance workshops, etc.)
- 72 training and support events for partner organization

What is the need?



- We are still experiencing fire survivors coming in for the first time to receive support and assistance
- Difficulties finding affordable rentals and funding for those who were renting and didn't have a pathway to rebuild
- Concern about how federal and state government assistance will be able to fill the gap of the unmet need
- Based on current case load we estimate an additional \$4.6M of funding will be needed to help current DCM clients recover

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