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Ventura County Victim Advocates Assist Fire Victims in Los Angeles

VENTURA, Calif. – The Ventura County District Attorney’s Office is supporting community members impacted by the devastating fires in Los Angeles by deploying trained victim advocates to aid at the FEMA run Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) near UCLA. This collaboration follows a request from the City of Los Angeles, for additional assistance during this unprecedented disaster response.

The National Organization for Victim Advocacy (NOVA) has recognized the critical need for crisis response and is facilitating coordination among Southern California counties. With the approval of District Attorney Erik Nasarenko, three victim advocates are providing comfort and support to those impacted. They are assisting with the emotional and logistical support for thousands of individuals and families as they navigate recovery and eventually rebuilding. The center is helping with recovering lost records, applying for disaster relief loans, and making referrals for counseling.

“Our hearts go out to the residents of Los Angeles as they recover from these devastating fires,” said District Attorney Erik Nasarenko. “Our advocates will offer support and care during this time of need to ensure victims receive the comfort and advocacy they deserve.”

Ventura County victim advocate teams and others from San Luis Obispo, Riverside, Las Vegas, and NOVA will be at the DRC daily from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., through February 2, 2025.

Disaster Recovery Center

- UCLA Research Park West
10850 West Pico Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90064

