## **Butte County Wildfires - Ways We Can Help**

If you are nearby or can make a trip to Butte County:

- I. <u>Caring Choices</u>
  - a. Emergency Volunteer Application Licensed Medical Personnel Only\*
  - b. Food Donations for EVC Volunteers Needed
    - 1. Please contact Caring Choices at 925 487-2167 to schedule a meal donation for the dedicated AmeriCorp and volunteer staff who are working tirelessly to schedule volunteers. Several meals have already been scheduled for this week but we will need donations in the coming weeks as we continue to staff volunteers.
- II. American Red Cross California Gold Country Main Offices Sacramento Chapter
  - a. Volunteer Positions Open Volunteer Application
    - 1. <u>Disaster Mental Health Team Member San Francisco</u>
    - 2. Disaster Mental Health Team Member Alameda County
    - 3. Disaster Mental Health Team Member Concord
    - 4. Disaster Mental Health Team Member San Mateo County

## How to help from afar:

- III. Donate Blood \*Severe Blood Shortage\*- Find a Blood Drive Near You!
- IV. **Butte County** Camp Fire Information http://www.buttecounty.net/
  - a. Supply Donations

At this time, donation operations are **at capacity and cannot accept any more material** donations. Shelters and various locations throughout the County have also been impacted by the overabundance of your generous donations.

b. Monetary Donations:

The <u>best way to help at this time</u> is through monetary donations to trusted organizations. Monetary donations are the easiest to manage and provide the means to purchase the exact items in need. Please utilize trusted organizations for monetary donations to avoid potential scams. Some recommendations:

- 1. North Valley Community Foundation https://www.nvcf.org/
- 2. North Valley Animal Disaster Group https://www.nvadg.org/donate
- 3. <u>Caring Choices</u> Accepts monetary donations or gift cards. All donors will receive a Caring Choices tax contribution form.
- 4. United Way
- 5. <u>American Red Cross</u> https://www.redcross.org/donate/donation.html/
- 6. Salvation Army
- 7. Butte County Office of Education: Schools Fire Relief Fund
- 8. California Community Fund https://www.calfund.org/wildfire-relief-fund/
- V. Visit These Sites for More Ways to Help
  - a. <a href="http://time.com/5451804/california-wildfires-how-help-donate/">http://time.com/5451804/california-wildfires-how-help-donate/</a>
  - b. <a href="https://www.fastcompany.com/90266047/how-to-help-california-wildfire-victims-19-things-you-can-do-for-woolsey-hill-and-camp-right-now">https://www.fastcompany.com/90266047/how-to-help-california-wildfire-victims-19-things-you-can-do-for-woolsey-hill-and-camp-right-now</a>

## **Resources:**

- 1. AACAP Resources for Talking to Children About Disasters
- 2. The National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN)
  - a. Wildfire Resources Tips for Families Before, During, & After
- 3. Red Cross Wildfire Preparedness Information