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# Recovery News

## **FREE ADVICE FOR REBUILDING SAFER AND STRONGER** *FEMA teams in Home Depot and Lowe's stores in Southern California*

**PASADENA, Calif.** — The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is offering free professional advice to help home and business owners toughen up their property against fires, storms and other assaults of nature. Specialists from the FEMA will share information on mitigation as well as state and federal disaster assistance programs at Southern California Home Depot and Lowe's home improvement stores.

“Rebuilding safer and stronger saves big money down the road,” said Jay Michaud, FEMA public outreach coordinator. “Studies show that smart rebuilding saves four times what you spend to protect your property against future wildfire and flooding damage.”

FEMA and state mitigation information is for homeowners, building contractors, architects and others who want to learn simple, inexpensive building techniques and landscape strategies that could save costly repairs in the event of future wildfires.

Teams of FEMA rebuilding specialists will be available to answer questions and provide information from 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the following home improvement stores:

### ***Through November 28, except for Thanksgiving Day***

#### ***At Home Depot locations***

5755 Mission Ave.	Oceanside
12185 Carmel Mountain Road	San Diego
12175 Tech Center Drive	Poway
1320 Eastlake Parkway	Chula Vista
1001 N. El Camino Real	Encinitas
32020 Hwy 79 South	Temecula
12175 Tech Center Drive	Poway
1001 N. El Camino Real	Encinitas

#### ***At Lowe's locations***

2225 Otay Lakes Road	Chula Vista
620 W. Mission Ave.	Escondido
40390 Winchester Road	Temecula
13300 Jamboree Road	Irvine
26415 Bouquet Canyon Road	Santa Clarita

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***Through November 21 at Home Depot***

20642 Golden Triangle Road	Santa Clarita
1475 East Valley Parkway	Escondido
1151 W. Lugonia Ave.	Redlands

***Through November 21 at Lowe's***

907 Avenida Pico	San Clemente
1725 Redlands Blvd.	Redlands

***November 23 to November 28 at Home Depot***

28033 Newhall Ranch Road	Santa Clarita
2782 El Camino Real	Tustin
1550 West Valley Parkway	Escondido

***November 23 to November 28 at Lowe's***

155 Old Grove Road	Oceanside
9416 Mission Gorge Road	Santee

***Unmanned self-help information booths are available at the following stores:***

Escondido Lumber True Value	310 S. Quince St.	Escondido
Ramona Brothers Lumber True Value	532 B St.	Ramona
Ramona Ace Hardware	652 Main St.	Ramona
Lake Drive Ace Hardware	23895 Lake Drive	Crestline
Rim Forest Lumber	26491 Pine Ave.	Rim Forest
Cedar Glen Hardware	28946 Hook Creek Rd	Cedar Glen
Peñasquitos Hardware	13179 Black Mountain Rd	San Diego
Griffin Ace Hardware	10511 4S Commons Drive	San Diego
Griffin Ace Hardware	3880 Valley Center Drive	San Diego
Agua Fria Hardware	26890 Highway 189	Blue Jay

*FEMA coordinates the federal government's role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terror.*

*The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) coordinates overall state-agency response to major disasters in support of local government. OES is also responsible for maintaining the State Emergency Plan and coordinating California's preparedness, mitigation and recovery efforts.*

*Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, economic status or retaliation. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, you should call FEMA toll-free at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or contact your State Office of Equal rights. If suspicious of any abuse of FEMA programs, please contact the fraud hotline at 1-800-323-8603.*

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