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San Joaquin County Strengthens Flood Readiness with \$10.8 Million in Housing Recovery Funds
California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has designated Self-Help
Enterprises as the subrecipient to administer the grant.

Stockton, CA - The Manufactured Home Replacement and Elevation (MHRE) Program provides critical support to community members impacted by the December 2022 through early January 2023 floods. The program offers grants to help eligible mobile homeowners in San Joaquin County replace and elevate manufactured or mobile home units that were damaged or destroyed.

"We saw firsthand the devastation caused by the 2022 floods, and we know recovery does not happen overnight," said Paul Canepa, Chair of the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors. "These funds are not just about rebuilding homes; they are about rebuilding confidence. By helping families replace and elevate their homes, we are protecting lives, safeguarding property, and strengthening our county's readiness for whatever comes next."

Program Eligibility:

- Applicants must live in San Joaquin County
- Mobile home units must be owner-occupied
- Applicants must report any disaster-related assistance received including FEMA, insurance or Small Business Administration loans
- Households must meet income requirements, with assistance available to very low-, low- and moderate-income.

Grants of up to \$500,000 per unit are available to help families rebuild safer, elevated homes, reduce the risk of future flooding, and ensure access to stable, secure housing. By encouraging our community to invest in mitigation and rebuilding now, San Joaquin County is working to reduce the impacts of future flood disasters and ensure that vulnerable communities are better prepared.

"Self-Help Enterprises is proud to work alongside San Joaquin County and HCD to support families rebuilding after the floods. Together, we're turning recovery into resilience by helping residents restore their homes, strengthen their communities, and move forward with greater security," said Melissa Valdez, Assistant Director of Strategic Partnerships at Self-Help Enterprises.

The MHRE Program is a proactive investment in flood readiness and community resilience, ensuring that recovery efforts today lead to safer and stronger neighborhoods tomorrow.





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To learn more or apply, please call (559) 802-1647.

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About the Office of Emergency Management

The Office of Emergency Services (OES) is at the forefront of ensuring the safety and resilience of San Joaquin County. At OES, our unwavering commitment is to protect lives, property, and the environment across all phases of emergency management: preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation. We understand the dynamic nature of emergencies and disasters and strive to create a safer and more resilient community for all.

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About Self-Help Enterprises

Self-Help Enterprises (SHE) is a nationally recognized housing and community development organization whose mission is to work together with low-income families to build and sustain healthy homes and communities. The pioneer and leading provider of mutual self-help housing in the United States, SHE's efforts today encompass a range of endeavors to build better homes and communities for farmworkers and other hard-working families. Since 1965, SHE has helped more than 6,600 families to build their own homes, rehabilitated over 7,000 unsafe homes, developed over 3,000 units of affordable rental housing, and provided technical assistance for reliable access to safe drinking water and sanitary sewer infrastructure to over 34,000 individuals in 175 small communities. SHE's commitment to providing resources and training for individuals builds the capacity of highly effective leaders in communities that also promote collaborative solutions for improving communities. These combined efforts have touched the lives of over 80,000 families, providing security and stability for families and building more productive communities.