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# City of San Dimas Office of the City Manager - Update September 8, 2020

## Latest Updates:

### Local:

- If a circuit overloads or shorts, the breaker will trip and cut the power to prevent fire and possible electrocution. Resetting a breaker is simple and will restore power to the affected room if there isn't an outage. Click <a href="HERE">HERE</a> for a step-by-step guide to safely resetting your breakers
- The Angeles National Forest will be closed to all activity through Monday, September 14. This includes all USFS roads, trails, campgrounds, and day-use sites. This is a temporary one-week closure for public safety

## County:

- If you are experiencing fear, distress, or anxiety due to the Bobcat Fire, you can call the LA County Department of Mental Health Help Line 24/7 at (800) 854-7771. For additional disaster-related resources, visit https://dmh.lacounty.gov/our-services/disaster-services/disaster-mh-resources/
- Tomorrow, September 9 at 2pm, LA County's Department of Consumer Business Affairs and community partner, New Economics for Women, will host a free webinar to teach county residents the red flags of scams during the home-buying process and how to avoid them! To join tomorrow's 'How to Avoid Home Scams' webinar, participants must be registered
  - o Click **HERE** to register
- According to the South Coast Air Quality Management District South Coast AQMD, smoke from the Bobcat Fire burning in the region has caused unhealthy air quality. It is difficult to tell where smoke, ash, or soot from a fire will go, or how winds will affect the level of these particles in the air, so please remember that smoke and ash can be harmful to health, even for healthy people.
  - o If you can see smoke, soot, or ash, or you can smell smoke, pay attention to your immediate environment and take precautions to safeguard your health. These precautions are particularly necessary for children, older adults, and people with heart or lung diseases
  - Limit time outdoors. Keep windows and doors closed to keep indoor air as clean as possible. Run AC to re-circulate indoor air and filter out particulates. Avoid using candles and vacuums
- Red Flag Warnings are in effect for much of LA/Ventura counties through Wednesday evening. With Santa Ana winds and Red Flag Warning conditions, it is crucial to keep yourself informed
  - o Receive critical emergency notifications from Alert LA County. Register for text, email, and phone notifications at <a href="https://lacounty.gov/emergency/alert-la/">https://lacounty.gov/emergency/alert-la/</a>
  - o Wireless Emergency Alerts are a valuable tool but make sure you enable your device to receive them. Verify your phone's settings to ensure you can be reached in case of an emergency

#### State:

- Today 14,000 firefighters are battling 25 major wildfires statewide. Cal Fire has increased staffing in preparation for critical fire weather in multiple areas of the state. This year, wildfires have now burned over 2.2 million acres across all fire jurisdictions. This is a record for the number of acres burned in California, and this year's fire season has another four months to go
  - o Get the latest information on wildfires burning throughout the state and what to expect in the next few days by visiting https://fire.ca.gov/daily-wildfire-report/