

## **News Release**

## Jurupa Community Services District Continues to Boost Community Safety Amid Wildfire Threats

Jurupa Valley, CA (January 13, 2025) – Amid the devastating wildfires affecting Southern California, including the tragic fires in Los Angeles, Jurupa Community Services District (JCSD) underscores its longstanding commitment to safeguarding the Eastvale and Jurupa Valley communities through comprehensive fire preparedness and emergency response planning.

JCSD has invested in infrastructure to bolster the community's fire response, including the construction of the first heli-hydrant in the Inland Empire. These 10,000-gallon tanks are crucial for rapid aerial firefighting, providing quick-fill capabilities that drastically shorten response times during fire emergencies. JCSD plans to build three additional heli-hydrants in Eastvale and Jurupa Valley. Alongside these, ICSD maintains 15 high-capacity which reservoirs are instrumental managing the increased demand during such crises.



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Furthermore, JCSD's strategic placement of backup power systems guarantees that essential water services remain uninterrupted, even during widespread power outages. This preparation is supported by JCSD's highly trained, 24/7 on-call staff, who are ready to respond to emergencies at a moment's notice. Should the need arise, JCSD is also a member of the California Association of Mutual Water Companies, providing for the ability to request mutual aid or assist other agencies dealing with emergencies.

Customers are encouraged to take proactive steps such as creating defensible spaces, assembling emergency kits, and planning for evacuations. These efforts help JCSD's regional approach to community safety, emphasizing both immediate responses and long-term resilience. Learn more about how to prepare for an emergency by visiting <a href="https://www.community.fema.gov">www.community.fema.gov</a>.

For more information on JCSD's fire preparedness initiatives, please visit <a href="https://www.JCSD.us/FirePreparedness">www.JCSD.us/FirePreparedness</a>.

Founded in 1956, the Jurupa Community Services District is a public agency providing services and programs to Jurupa Valley and Eastvale. It is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of five elected representatives from both cities. Serving over 130,000 people in a 40-square-mile area, JCSD provides a variety of community services and programs, including water, sewer, streetlights, frontage landscape maintenance, graffiti abatement, and parks and recreation services.

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