



Press Release

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Santa Barbara County Joint Information Center
(805) 696-1188 Media Only
211 or (800) 400-1572 for Public Information

ANNOUNCING WINTER STORM EVACUATION CENTER AND CALL CENTER

(SANTA BARBARA, Calif.) – An evacuation center is open for residents who have been issued evacuation orders as a result of the Thomas, Whittier, Sherpa and Rey Fire Burn Areas.

The evacuation center is located at:

Santa Barbara City College
Campus Center Cafeteria
East Campus Kiosk (entry)
Park in Lot 1B

The evacuation center is allowing small animals.

Large animals can be evacuated to Earl Warren Showgrounds. For assistance in evacuating large animals, call (805) 687-0766. Small animals can be evacuated to Santa Barbara Humane Society at 5399 Overpass Road. For assistance in evacuating small animals, call the County Animal Services hotline at (805) 681-4332.

To determine if your property is in the impact area, please go to www.countyofsb.org and refer to the interactive map. If you do not have access to the Internet, or need assistance evacuating, call 211 or (800) 400-1572. If you are not yet registered for alerts from Aware and Prepare, you should do so **NOW – do not wait. To register, go to www.awareandprepare.org.**

Due to a high call volume, an additional call center has been established to provide the public with information about the evacuation areas, update on the storm effects, and to coordinate transportation assistance. The number is (805) 681-5542.

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In English:

Emergency Alert System:

It is critical that people in Santa Barbara County register to receive emergency alerts. Sign up at www.AwareAndPrepare.org. If we can't reach you, we can't alert you.

Stay Connected:

For ongoing updates, go to www.CountyofSB.org, follow @countyofsb on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#), or call 2-1-1 from 805 area code or 800-400-1572 outside of 805, or text your zip code to 898-211.

En español:

Sistema de Alerta de Emergencia:

Es muy importante que las personas en el Condado de Santa Bárbara se registren para recibir alertas de emergencias. Inscríbete a www.AwareAndPrepare.org, si no podemos localizarte, no podemos alertarte.

Permanece Conectado:

Para actualizaciones continuas, ve a www.CountyofSB.org, sigue @countyofsb en [Twitter](#) y [Facebook](#) o llama al 2-1-1 desde el código de área 805, o al 800-400-1572 para fuera del 805, o manda por texto tu código postal al 898-211.