

Community Wildfire Safety Program California Foundation for Independent Living Centers

Supporting the Access and Functional Needs (AFN) Community



PG&E and the California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC) are working in collaboration on a readiness program to support people with disabilities and older adults before, during and after a Public Safety Power Shutoff or other emergency. This is one of the first statewide programs of its kind.

CFILC is working with local Independent Living Centers (ILC) to conduct a pilot program to provide AFN community members with support and assistance to prepare for disasters and extended power outages. The CFILC will determine who qualifies for resources through an application process and criteria that includes disabilities and chronic medical conditions that require electricity to live independently in the community.

Disability Disaster Access & Resources Program



The Disability Disaster Access & Resources Program is a collaboration between PG&E and the CFILC that **enables qualifying customers who use electrical medical devices to access backup portable batteries** through a grant, lease-to-own or financial loan application.

For additional information, training and event opportunities for people with disabilities and older adults please visit **disabilitydisasteraccess.org**.

Additional resources that will be piloted through the collaboration include:



Emergency preparedness planning



Short and long-term portable battery solutions



Accessible transportation resources



Lodging assistance and hotel vouchers (during a PSPS event)



Food stipends (during a PSPS event)



Medical Baseline enrollment education and application assistance



Outreach and training for the disability and older adult AFN community

Local ILC Partners

Independent Living Centers (ILC) are grassroots organizations run by, for and about people with disabilities throughout their lifespan. ILCs provide advocacy services to people across all types of disabilities. Services include peer support, information and referral, direct advocacy, systems change advocacy, housing, assistive technology, independent living skills training, transition and personal assistance services.

ILCs participating in the Disability Disaster Access & Resources Program include:

ORGANIZATION	COUNTIES SERVED	WEBSITE
Center for Independence of Individuals with Disabilities	San Mateo	cidsanmateo.org
Independent Living Center of Kern County	Kern	ilcofkerncounty.org
Tri-County Independent Living	Del Norte, Humboldt, Trinity	tilinet.org
Disability Resource Agency for Independent Living	Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tuolumne	drail.org
Resources for Independent Living	El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Yolo	ril-sacramento.org
Disability Action Center	Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama	actionctr.org
Disability Services and Legal Center	Lake, Mendocino, Napa, Sonoma	mydslc.org
Community Resources for Independent Living	Alameda	crilhayward.org
Central Coast Center for Independent Living	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	cccil.org
FREED Center for Independent Living	Colusa, Nevada, Sierra, Sutter, Yuba	freed.org
Silicon Valley Independent Living Center	Santa Clara	svilc.org
Marin Center for Independent Living	Marin	marincil.org
Independent Living Resource Center	San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura	ilrc-trico.org
Independent Living Resources of Solano and Contra Costa Counties	Contra Costa, Solano	ilrscc.org
Resources for Independence Central Valley	Fresno, Kings, Madera, Merced, Tulare	ricv.org

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is paying for this program?

Through the initial agreement, PG&E is providing \$5 million in funding to the CFILC as part of a pilot program to staff and provide support to individuals with disabilities and older adults throughout 2020.

How will the application process work?

Individuals can go online to **disabilitydisasteraccess.org** or contact an ILC and apply to be considered for resources. The CFILC's Disability Disaster Advisory Committee will make the ultimate determination on who qualifies for backup batteries and other resources through an application process. Medical needs and income will be considered as part of the application process.