



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Monday, Jan. 22, 2024

City of San Diego Responds to Flooding and Storm Impacts

SAN DIEGO – With heavy rain causing flooding across the City of San Diego, emergency teams were deployed to areas where residents and property have been impacted and experienced severe flooding.

The San Diego Fire-Rescue Department swift water rescue team is responding to multiple locations along the San Diego River, central parts of the city, low-lying areas near the coast and the Tijuana River Valley. Hundreds of people have been rescued from homes and flooded areas. The City asks residents to stay off the roads if you don't need to travel.

The Red Cross has opened an overnight emergency shelter at Lincoln High School, 4777 Imperial Ave., for residents impacted by flooding and storm damage. The City has opened a temporary shelter at the Golden Hill Recreation Center, 2600 Golf Course Drive. The location will remain open until 9 p.m. Monday evening.

Roads in Mission Valley and numerous other communities are closed. For an updated list of road closures, visit sandiego.gov/storm.

Due to flooding, the City is temporarily relocating people staying at the City's 16th & Newton Bridge Shelter to the Balboa Park Activity Center and some residents at the 20th & B Safe Sleeping site to Golden Hall.

The Inclement Weather Shelter Program has been activated. People experiencing homeless can show up directly at the locations to gain access to a bed. For a list of locations, visit the <u>Inclement Weather Shelter Program</u> webpage.

Sandbags are also available in limited supply and can be picked up at 10 recreation centers centrally located in each City Council district.

- Council District 1 Pacific Beach Recreation Center, 1405 Diamond St.
- Council District 2 (inland) North Clairemont Recreation Center, 4421 Bannock Ave.
- Council District 2 (coastal) Robb Field Athletic Area, 2525 Bacon St.

- Council District 3 Golden Hill Recreation Center, 2600 Golf Course Drive.
- Council District 4 Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center, 6401 Skyline Drive.
- Council District 5 Scripps Ranch Recreation Center, 11454 Blue Cypress Drive.
- Council District 6 Standley Recreation Center, 3585 Governor Drive.
- Council District 7 Allied Gardens Recreation Center, 5155 Greenbrier Ave.
- Council District 8 San Ysidro Community Activity Center, 179 Diza Road.
- Council District 9 City Heights Recreation Center, 4380 Landis St.

The following City facilities are currently closed:

- San Diego Central Library, 330 Park Blvd., due to flooding in the underground parking garage.
- Front counters at the San Diego Police Department, 1401 Broadway. To contact the non-emergency line, call 619-531-2000.
- Entrance to Fiesta Island.
- All Open Space Parks including the Otay Valley Regional Park

To check the status on power outages in your area, visit SDG&E's **Power Outage page**.

Residents are encouraged to monitor the <u>National Weather Service</u> and report flooding to the City's dispatch center at 619-527-7500. For life-threatening emergencies, call 9-1-1.