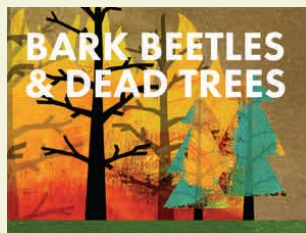


TREE REMOVAL PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME SENIORS



County of El Dorado and the
California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention



El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, July 18, 2017

Tree Removal Program for Low-Income Seniors

Financial assistance for low-income senior households to remove dead or dying trees threatening their home from El Dorado County with funding through a grant from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CALFIRE).



**El Dorado County
Tree Removal Program
for Low-Income Seniors**

Financial assistance for low-income senior homeowners to remove dead or dying trees threatening their home is available through El Dorado County Planning and Building Department, Housing, Community and Economic Development Program (HCED) with funding through a grant from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CALFIRE). The grant funding is limited and available to El Dorado County property owners who meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Household must be low-income as defined by household size
 See *Maximum Household Income Limits*
- Residence must be properly permitted and occupied by person(s) at least 60 years of age
- Property must be in a High Hazard Area
- Affected trees within 300 feet of dwelling must be determined to pose a threat to an inhabited structure by a professional Forester/Arborist (provided by the County)
- Program allows for removal of a maximum of two dead/dying trees that pose a threat per eligible property

Call 530-621-5159 for an application.

Maximum Household Income Limits
 60% Area Median Income
 Effective 6/9/2017

1 Person	\$31,950
2 Persons	\$36,540
3 Persons	\$41,100
4 Persons	\$45,660

*Limits for larger household sizes available. See contact information below.

Contact: 530-621-5159
 Planning and Building Department, HCED

Sponsored by:
 El Dorado County and the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CALFIRE)

BARK BEETLES & DEAD TREES
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HOMEOWNER ELIGIBILITY

- All applicants must be 60 years of age or older
- Own the property on which they reside
- Reside in a High Hazard Zone
- Have incomes at or below 60% of the County's area median income (AMI)
- Have dead or dying trees threatening their home

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HOUSING ELIGIBILITY

- **Housing unit types eligible under the Program are:**
 - **Existing single-family residences**
 - **Manufactured homes on a single-family lot and placed on a permanent foundation system**
 - **Habitable second dwellings on owner occupied property**

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HOUSING ELIGIBILITY

- Structures *NOT* eligible
 - Inhabited temporary or unpermitted dwelling units do not meet Program eligibility
 - The Program is not meant to protect moveable or temporary sheds and outbuildings, barns, carports or garages

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DEAD AND DYING TREES ELIGIBLE FOR REMOVAL

- **Must be greater than 10 inches in diameter**
- **Must be 20 feet or greater in height**
- **Must be within 300 feet of, and pose a structural threat to the residence**
- **Must be reasonably accessible by equipment/machinery**

This Program will remove trees only from residential properties identified as a Tier 1 or Tier 2 High Hazard Zone by the California Tree Mortality Task Force

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APPLICATION PROCESS

- Prescreen phone call and survey
- Application Packet will include
 - Release of Information Authorization
 - Right of Entry Permit
 - Program Disclosure
 - Income Verification
 - Asset Verification
 - Financial Privacy



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Housing, Community and Economic Development Program
2800 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA 95667
Phone (530) 621-5158, Fax (530) 643-6068

El Dorado County Tree Removal Grant for Low-Income Seniors

Applicant: _____ (530) 621-5158
Co-Applicant (over 18): _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
PROPERTY: _____
REMARKS: _____
RENTAL: _____
MARRIED: _____ DIVORCED: _____
WIDOWED: _____
DISABLED: _____
BIRTH DATE (APPLICANT): _____
BIRTH DATE (CO-APPLICANT): _____
MARRIAGE DATE: _____
MARRIAGE STATE: _____
MARRIAGE COUNTY: _____

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DISCLOSURE OF THE FAIR HOUSING ACT
Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Fair Housing Act), as amended, prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions.

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INFORMATION RELEASE AUTHORIZATION
To Whom It May Concern:

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**FINANCIAL PRIVACY INFORMATION FORM
NOTICE TO APPLICANTS**

This notice is provided to you as required by the Right to Financial Privacy Act of 1978 that the El Dorado County Planning and Building Department has a right of access to financial records held by any financial institution in connection with the consideration or administration of the Tree Removal Grant for seniors for which you have applied. Financial records involving your transactions will be available to the County of El Dorado, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) and/or its authorized agents, including the Loan Review Committee (LRC), government agency or subcontractor. It will not be disclosed or released to another government agency or department without your consent except as required or permitted by law.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____
First Name _____
Co-Applicant Signature _____ Date _____
First Name _____

Tree Removal Program for Low-Income Seniors



TIME FRAME

2017-2018

- **Identification and validation of 42+ eligible trees**
- **Estimate cumulative cost of removal**
- **Actual number of tree removals contingent on cost and funding availability**
- **Address any other regulatory needs for each property**

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TIME FRAME

2018-2019

- **Efforts to remove trees will begin at each property as soon as feasible**
- **Complete Program no later than March 15, 2019.**

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NEXT STEPS

- **Roll Out Marketing Efforts**
- **Accept Applications**
- **Establish Eligibility List**
- **Dispatch Forester/Arborist**

- **Staff will return to the Board in 2018 to approve and adopt Contract Documents and authorize advertisement for bids to engage a licensed timber operator.**

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**Contact Information:
HCED Program**

(530) 621-5159

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(HCED)**

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