



COUNTY OF YOLO

Office of the County Administrator

Patrick S. Blacklock
County Administrator

Beth Gabor
Manager of Operations & Strategy

625 Court Street, Room 202 ▪ Woodland, CA 95695
(530) 666-8042 ▪ FAX (530) 668-4029
www.yolocounty.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 13, 2017

Contact: Beth Gabor, Public Information Officer
(530) 666-8042 [w] ▪ (530) 219-8464 [c]

Monetary Donations Accepted to Assist with Yolo County Shelter Operations

(Woodland, CA) – Yolo County is accepting monetary donations to assist with shelter operations for those affected by the Oroville Dam spillway evacuation. Donations can be made online at www.newhopecdc.org or www.facebook.com/newhopeyolo, or via check or money order at Yolo County Housing, 147 W. Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695. All donations received at this time will be used to assist with shelter operations, i.e. food, water, diapers, toiletries, bedding, etc.

Due to concerns about the integrity of the Oroville Dam spillway, evacuations from surrounding areas prompted Yolo County to open a shelter at the Yolo County Fairgrounds last night. As of this morning, approximately 300 people were being sheltered with that number anticipated to possibly double. The evacuation order is still in effect and the length of the order is yet to be determined.

To assist with providing for the needs of those being sheltered, Yolo County has partnered with Yolo County Housing to receive monetary donations. New Hope Community Development Corporation is a 501(c)3 non-profit and a subsidiary of Yolo County Housing. Additionally, many local businesses have provided food and supplies for this effort.

For those evacuated, the Yolo County Fairgrounds, located at 1250 East Gum Avenue in Woodland, can be reached via Interstate-5: take exit 537 for Main Street; turn left on E. Main Street; turn left on East Street; turn left on E. Gum Avenue.

The Yolo County emergency shelter at the fairgrounds is ADA accessible. Residents may bring dogs on leash and cats in crates. The fairgrounds, however, is not able to house livestock at this time. Evacuees are encouraged to bring their medications and clothing. While bedding and toiletries are being provided, those are recommended as well.

Yolo 2-1-1 is a resource for evacuees with questions about the Yolo County emergency shelter. General information for evacuees can be found at www.211yolocounty.com (select Disaster Response) or by dialing 2-1-1.

While Yolo County is not expected to be impacted by a possible release of flood waters, Yolo County officials continue to closely monitor the situation as well as waterways throughout the county.

For the latest information on the Oroville Dam spillway, follow the California Department of Water Resources on Twitter @CA_DWR. To see current needs for shelter operations, follow Yolo County on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/YoloCounty/>) and Twitter (@YoloPIO).

###