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Town of Paradise Weekly Recovery Update

Events:

Wed. Sept. 25th 12 - 4:00pm	Butte County Job Fair Location: 1705 Manzanita Place Chico, Ca
Tues. Oct. 1st, 6 - 8:00pm	Paradise Community Information Meeting Paradise Alliance Church Location: 6491 Clark Rd
Sat. Oct. 5th 1 - 9:00pm	Paradise Blues & Brews Paradise Community Park Location: 5592 Black Olive Drive
Sat. Oct. 5th and Sun. Oct. 6th	Johnny Appleseed Days Terry Ashe Park Location: 6626 Skyway
Tues. Oct. 8th, 6 - 10:00 pm	Paradise Town Council Meeting Paradise Town Hall Location: 5555 Skyway
Thursdays 6 - 8:00 pm	Paradise Community Dinner Paradise Alliance Church Location: 6491 Clark Rd

356	Building Permit Applications Received
5	Homes rebuilt (certificate of occupancy issued)
10,731	Properties cleared of debris
7,598	Properties certified clean by County

What's new:

- The **Butte County Job Fair** presented by Alliance for Workforce Development is the area's largest employment event. It will be held on **Wed. Sept. 25th, between 12 - 4:00 pm** hosted at 1705 Manzanita Place Chico, Ca. Over 40 employers will be recruiting all under one roof. This is every job seekers dream-employers from all sectors, looking for every experience level from entry to executive! Don't Miss Out!

- The next **Community Information Meeting** is coming up on Tuesday, October 1st at 6 pm. This meeting will be **focused on insurance** in the burn scar area. Tony Cignarale, Deputy Commissioner with the California Department of Insurance office, will provide information on issues the Department is seeing related to homeowners' insurance claims from the Camp Fire. He will provide some tips on getting claims delays and disputes resolved. Tony will also provide information on the current homeowners' insurance market relating to the availability and affordability of homeowners' insurance in certain parts of the State. You will hear tips on what you can do to find homeowners' insurance if your insurance company non-renews you. There will also be a presentation from the US Census Bureau and insurance companies who are currently writing policies on the ridge will be available to speak with after the meeting.

We expect a large turnout, please join us early. If you can't be there physically, the meeting will be streamed live on Facebook.

- The North Valley Community Foundation's Butte Strong Fund announced on Wednesday that it has committed another \$1 million in cash assistance to Camp Fire survivors, **\$500,000 to keep tree removals on track**, a grant to help restore ambulance service to Paradise, and money to fund two recovery centers in Magalia.
- In order to better serve our residents, **the Town will open the Building Resiliency Center (BRC) at 6295 Skyway** (old Bank of America Building) in the coming months. This will be a one-stop-shop for building permits, information and housing resources. The Town is working hard to open the BRC by Nov. 8th, and we are looking for funding to get the building ready after sitting vacant for several years.
- It has been nearly one year since the Camp Fire, and many events are being planned for the week of November 8th. **The Town will hold several events on Friday, November 8th:**
 - 11:08 am: 86 seconds of silence for the 86 lives lost, and the unveiling of the "Key Phoenix" – Building Resiliency Center - 6295 Skyway
 - 6:30 pm: Camp Fire Remembrance Ceremony – Paradise Alliance Church 6491 Clark Rd.
- **New Businesses Opened this month:**
 - Nic's Restaurant, 6258 Skyway - Sandwiches, salads, soup, beer, and wine. Monday – Saturday from 10 am to 8 pm.
 - Taco Bell, 5859 Clark Rd – Open Daily 7 am to 12 am.

- Pee Wee Preschool, 7196 Skyway, Monday – Friday 6:30 am to 6 pm

Weekly Q&A:

Q: What is the status of cleaning up commercial properties? When will that finish?

A: Commercial properties that chose the state program will have their structural debris cleared by the end of this month. Many commercial properties chose the alternative program and hired their own contractors. They are following their work plans and are subject to the availability of the contractor they hired. Some commercial properties faced longer cleanup timelines due to insurance requirements and hazard testing and mitigation.

Also, it is important to note that there are several property owners that have opted to go with a private contractor for debris removal that have NOT yet submitted a work plan. If your contractor has not yet submitted a work plan, your property is non-compliant and subject to a warranted abatement. If your property is in the Town of Paradise, and you would like to confirm your work plan has been submitted by your contractor, please call Rachel at (530) 872-6291 x122.

Q: How can we find out which insurance companies are writing policies in Paradise?

A: The Town is currently compiling a list of insurance companies that are writing policies in Paradise. The upcoming community meeting on Tuesday, October 1st at 6 pm at the Paradise Alliance Church will focus on insurance. There will be several insurance companies at the meeting that are currently writing in Paradise on hand to answer questions. Once we have the list completed, we will make the list available to the public.