

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UPLAND, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE UPLANDCARES (COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE RELIEF IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS) FUND AND ADOPTING PROGRAM GUIDELINES FOR MASS CASUALTY AND MASS DISPLACEMENT INCIDENT RESPONSE

WHEREAS, the City of Upland is committed to public health, safety, and welfare through proactive emergency preparedness; and

WHEREAS, Mass Casualty Incidents (MCI) and Mass Displacement Incidents (MDI) present challenges that require coordinated response, recovery, and assistance beyond routine municipal operations; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the importance of establishing a centralized, transparent, and locally controlled mechanism to receive, manage, and distribute community donations to individuals and families impacted by such incidents; and

WHEREAS, without an established framework, donations may be delayed, or inequitably distributed, reducing the effectiveness in supporting impacted residents; and

WHEREAS, the City Council Advisory Committee (CCAC) has reviewed and provided input on the proposed program guidelines, including activation protocols, eligibility criteria, and structure; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to adopt formal guidelines to ensure timely activation, equitable distribution, and accountability in the administration of such funds;

BE IT RESOLVED BY CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UPLAND AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. The City hereby establishes the UplandCARES (Community Assistance Relief in Emergency Situations) Fund to serve as a system for the collection, management, and distribution of donations to support individuals and households impacted by qualifying Mass Casualty Incidents (MCI) and Mass Displacement Incidents (MDI).

SECTION 3. The City Council hereby adopts the UplandCARES Program Guidelines, attached as Exhibit "A".

SECTION 4. Compliance with California Environmental Quality Act. The City Council finds that this Resolution is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the State CEQA Guidelines,

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly. Further if the activity is deemed a project this City Council finds that this Resolution is exempt pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

SECTION 5. Certification. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

SECTION 6. Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause or phrase in this Resolution or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, invalid or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remaining portions of this Resolution or any part thereof. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted each section irrespective of the fact that any one or more subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses or phrases are declared unconstitutional. Invalid, or ineffective.

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective on the 27th day of April, 2026.

PASSED, APPROVED, ADOPTED this 27th day of April 2026.

Bill Velto, Mayor
City of Upland

I, Keri Johnson, City Clerk of the City of Upland, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 27th day of April 2026 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

ATTEST: _____
Keri Johnson, CMC, City Clerk