**SEASONS OF SHARING POLICY FOR 2020 FIRE VICTIMS**

Hello All,

It is heartbreaking to see the destruction and havoc that the fires are wreaking on communities throughout the Bay Area and beyond. Zev and I both hope you and your families, friends and colleagues are safe from harm.

We want to let you know that we are adjusting Season of Sharing Fund's criteria for **people who have been affected by the fires**, which would include those who have lost their housing or source of income due to the fires. The following adjustments are for all nine counties we serve:

**1) The five year rule will be waived - anyone who has received assistance within the previous five years is eligible for Season of Sharing Fund assistance.**

**2) Rent/mortgage does not have to be delinquent - anyone who requires assistance with rent/mortgage for the months going forward is eligible for Season of Sharing Fund assistance.**

**3) Requirement for sustainability going forward will be waived for those who lost their source of income - anyone who lost their job, lost work or lost their source of income will be eligible for Season of Sharing Fund assistance.**

Numbers (2) and (3) are already in place for those affected by COVID-19, but (1) is unique to those affected by fires.

Please let your colleagues and partner agencies know as soon as possible.

If you have questions, please feel free to reach out.

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