

The CEO Report

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Earthquake Brace + Bolt (EBB) Program Opens for Second 2025 Registration

The California Residential Mitigation Program (CRMP) has announced a second registration period for the Earthquake Brace + Bolt (EBB) grant program, open August 20–October 1, 2025. This statewide program provides up to \$3,000 to help strengthen older, wood-framed homes with raised foundations against earthquake damage. For the first time, eligibility has been expanded to include rental and other non-owner-occupied properties, allowing landlords and property owners to participate.

More than \$20 million in funding is available, with income-qualified households eligible for up to an additional \$7,000. Since 2013, the EBB program has supported over 32,500 homeowners. Homeowners and property owners can learn more and apply at EarthquakeBraceBolt.com.

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Mendocino County Strategic Plan

In May 2022, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors approved the first five-year strategic plan that will help guide the critical decisions the Board of Supervisors will face over the next five years with the ultimate goal of improving the quality of life for County residents. Departmental reporting will align with the strategic plan.

Click [HERE](#) to download the Strategic Plan.

Departments and Divisions

Cannabis

In July 2025, the Mendocino Cannabis Department (“MCD”) reviewed and granted local authorization for 10 active Cannabis Cultivation Business License (“CCBL”) applications. In addition, the Department executed two (2) Local Equity Entrepreneurial Program (“LEEP”) direct grant agreements with local cannabis business operators, distributing \$100K to qualified applicants.

Below are several key accomplishments of MCD in July 2025:

- Issued and renewed approximately 114,500 square feet (2.62 acres) of commercial cannabis cultivation.
- Completed 12 physical inspections of proposed or existing CCBL sites.

Department Fiscal Updates

- The Department collected 9 fees, totaling \$10,012.00
- Fee revenue helps offset staff time dedicated to specific, fee-related tasks
- Staff time is allocated based on time studies conducted for each individual task
- MCD is reviewing current costs for a fee schedule update, with Board consideration anticipated in September

For more information on MCD’s Monthly Activity, please click [HERE](#).

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Employee Benefits

Register [HERE](#) to join us on **September 18, 2025, from 1-4pm** to learn about your health, wellness, and retirement benefits! Click [HERE](#) to explore additional Benefits training opportunities and upcoming health plan changes.

Executive Office - Economic Development

The County of Mendocino Economic Development Division is hosting its 5th Sector Meeting September 17th. This meeting is focused on the forest sectors in our county - forest health, management, timber products, fire mitigation and educational institutions related to these sectors.

The purpose of the meeting to foster a discussion on current and future needs in the forest sectors: current workforce needs, possible gaps in infrastructure, skills, or technologies within forest health, management, and wildfire mitigation. The goal is to identify 1–2 actionable projects the Economic Development Division can implement to help advance these industries and, as a result,

support sustainable economic conditions and opportunities.

Time and Location:

Wednesday, Sept. 17th, 2025
9 – 11:30am

County of Mendocino Agriculture Building
Conference Room
890 N. Bush St, Ukiah CA 94582

Virtual Registration Link - virtual option for listening in (observation only).

A Sector **Survey** has been created as an opportunity to provide input for those who cannot attend.

Visit the **Economic Development Division** page for more details.

Click **HERE** to view the event flyer...

Executive Office - Grants Unit

In July, the Grants Unit provided significant support to County departments and advanced projects in alignment with the County's strategic plan. The Grants Unit also supported the PRRM Division's efforts to advance major wildfire resilience initiatives, including submitting a \$939,159 CAL FIRE Hopland Shaded Fuel Break Project grant proposal and continued development of the \$9,500,000 Sherwood Corridor Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) DR-4856 application to CalOES/FEMA. In addition, staff is developing the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Income project applications per Board direction from the July 29th public hearing and assisting Social Services and the Mendocino County Continuum of Care with their HHAP Round 6 homelessness funding application. In FY 2025-26, the Grants Unit, in coordination with County departments and grant consultants, submitted one grant application totaling \$939,159. It is currently assisting with the management of 15 active grants, valued at over \$16.2 million, for the Executive Office.

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Facilities and Fleet

Facilities and Fleet Mission: To provide an accessible, efficient, safe, clean and comfortable working environment for all employees and the general public who use our buildings and properties.

Facilities and Fleet maintain vital infrastructure and related services that enable County employees to serve the citizens of Mendocino County.

During the month of July Ukiah Valley Fire Authority conducted a significant amount of Fire mitigation work in Southwest area of Low Gap Park in Ukiah. The

work performed by the Ukiah Valley Fire Authorities team will have a profound effect on the Park, not only with much improved visual appeal, but now the park will assist in providing a large portion of the fire break in the western hills of the Ukiah.

Work is complete on the ground preparation portion of the charger installation at the Administration Center and Yokayo complex. The next step of the project will be the installation of electrical equipment to include the chargers themselves. There is a potential for activation of the newly installed chargers in late 2025.

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