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More than 40 manufactured homes will be replaced in the area burned by the Camp Fire through donations from Samaritan’s Purse International Relief, the North Valley Community Foundation, the Camp Fire Long Term Recovery Group and more.

The Camp Fire Manufactured Home Replacement Project will kick off with two information sessions this month. The first one will be held from 6-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 12, at Paradise Alliance Church, 6491 Clark Road, Paradise. The second information session is scheduled from 6-7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Chico Salvation Army Community Center, 567 E. 16th St., Chico.

Households can access the applications through the Camp Fire LTRG website: campfirelongtermrecovery.org. The application period will close after the first 100 applications have been received or Jan. 31, 2020, whichever comes first. You do not need a disaster case manager to apply. If you do not have a disaster case manager you will be assigned someone to help you through the application process once your application is received.

Samaritan’s Purse volunteers have been working to help with the cleanup efforts in Butte County since the Camp Fire on Nov. 8, 2018. It has been discussing the project with the NVCF and Long Term Recovery Group for months. The project has also secured funding from Wells Fargo, American Red Cross and the Center for Disaster Philanthropy.

“Samaritan’s Purse has been an incredible, unyielding partner in trying to make this project work,” said Jovanni Tricerri, NVCF director of response and recovery. “There have been several iterations and necessary changes, but all parties involved remained committed to making this work. Samaritan’s Purse has graciously volunteered to donate the homes and the other partners are funding the rest. This will be a tremendous boon to the recovery effort.”

Applications are now being accepted for families that meet the following criteria:
• Must be a resident of Butte County and preference will be given to previous owners of manufactured homes affected by the Camp Fire.
• The damaged home must have been your primary residence and only residence.
• The homeowner must be listed on the property deed where the home is to be placed; a close relative may suffice.
• Priority will be given to those with no insurance or who are significantly under-insured and those living in manufactured homes pre-fire.
• The homeowner must be able to afford all taxes, utilities and insurance. (This information will be verified in the application process.)
• The homeowner must be willing to use their available FEMA funds and/or insurance money to assist with the recovery needs.
• The homeowner must agree to a credit check, background check and drug screen.
• The homeowner must be willing to keep and live in the home for five years and to have a lien placed on the property for a period of five years to secure the integrity of the gift.
• Homeowners and family must be willing to volunteer a minimum of five hours per week during the build process. Note: There are many ways to help that may or may not include manual labor.
• All FEMA and insurance settlements must be closed before or in conjunction with this process.
• Gross household income must be between 30% and 70% of the median household income or the median family income for the area at the time of the application.
• Consideration for special needs (wheelchair ramps, wide doors, accessible bathrooms, etc.) will be assessed during the application process.

About Samaritan’s Purse
Samaritan's Purse is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. When disasters strike, Samaritan's Purse provides relief, comfort, comfort and the eternal hope of the gospel to those who are suffering. More information about Samaritan's Purse can be found here: [https://www.samaritanspurse.org/](https://www.samaritanspurse.org/)