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Monterey Park City Council Stands in Solidarity with Lahaina, Maui, in the Aftermath of Devastating Fires

Monterey Park, Calif. — August 17, 2023 — The [City Council of Monterey Park](#) extends its heartfelt condolences to the community of Lahaina, Maui, as they grapple with the aftermath of the recent devastating fires. The destructive fires have left a profound impact on Lahaina and its residents, displacing families, destroying homes, and causing immeasurable loss. As a community that understands the resilience needed to recover from such disasters, we stand together with Lahaina, Maui to offer our support.

Mayor Jose Sanchez expresses his deep empathy, stating, "In times of hardship, it is crucial for communities to come together. The people of Monterey Park understand the pain that comes with such devastating events, and we stand by our friends in Lahaina, offering our unwavering support as they rebuild and heal."

Understanding the vital need for assistance, the City Council recommends contributions to reputable aid and relief organizations that are actively involved in helping Lahaina recover from this tragedy.

- [The American Red Cross](#) provides emergency shelter, food, and supplies to communities affected by disasters.
- The [Maui Strong Fund](#) is providing financial resources that can be deployed quickly, with a focus on rapid response and recovery for the devastating wildfires on Maui.
- The [Maui United Way](#) says all donations will "provide direct relief to families and nonprofits directly affected" by the wildfires, offering a place to donate and apply for help on its website.

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