

IS A **BLACK BEAR** LIVING IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

If a bear is acting threatening or is sick or injured, call or text **626.344.1129**.

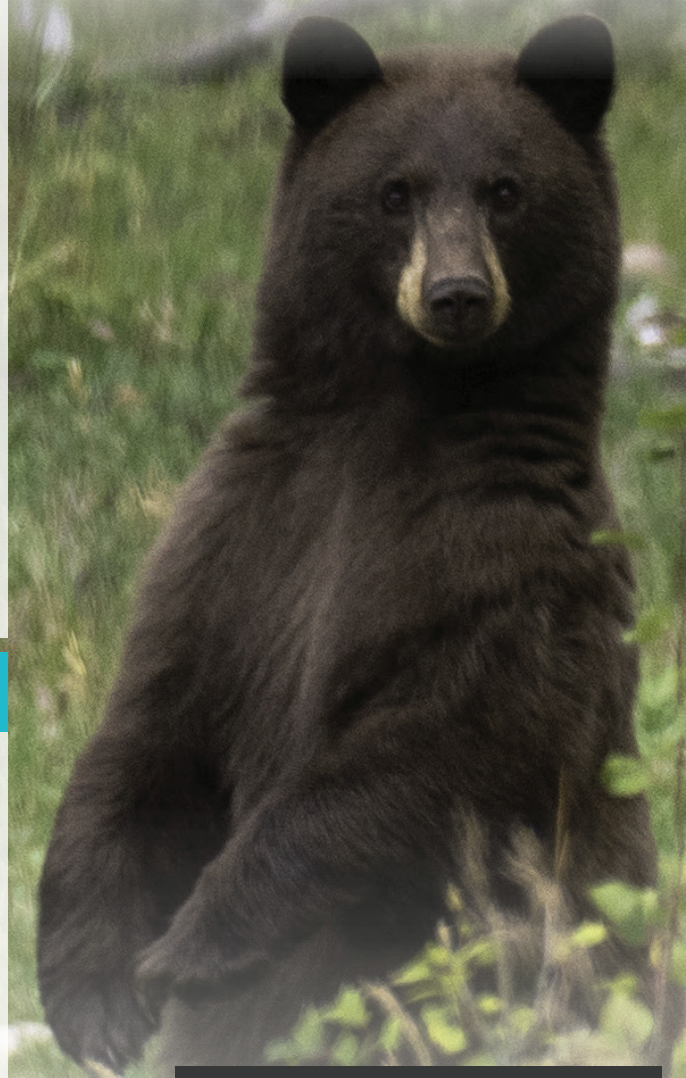
Despite what our California flag suggests, the only remaining bears in California (regardless of fur color) are black bears. Most bears are naturally fearful of humans, but their behavior may change if there are easily available resources near your home.

DETER BEARS FROM YOUR PROPERTY

- Subscribe to bear-resistant trash barrel services (ask your city for more information).
- Don't leave scented products outside, even non-food items such as suntan lotion and insect repellent.
- Clean BBQ after each use.
- Remove outdoor pet food, including bird feeders.
- Contain compost.
- Maintain your landscaping; harvest fruit off trees as soon as it is ripe, and promptly collect fruit that falls.
- Securely block access to potential hibernation sites such as crawl spaces under decks.
- Keep your pet indoors, in a predator-proof enclosure, or on a 6-ft or shorter leash at all times.
- Strategically place motion-sensing lights and sprinklers around your property.

IF YOU ENCOUNTER A BLACK BEAR

- Stand and face the bear directly. Never run away from or approach a black bear.
- Make yourself look as big as possible by spreading your arms or opening your coat.
- Make as much noise as possible by yelling, banging pots and pans, or using other noisemaking devices.
- After the bear leaves, remove whatever attracted them to the location.
- If you see a bear in your yard, leave them alone until they leave. Supervise your pets, and do not let them interact with wildlife.
- Be especially cautious if you see a female with cubs; never place yourself between a mother and her cub.
- In the very rare case that a black bear does attack you, fight back (don't play dead).



For more wildlife tips, information, or wildlife training opportunities, visit pasadenahumane.org/wildlife

California Department of Fish and Wildlife has jurisdiction over all wildlife in California, which includes bears. For more information about bear proofing your home, hazing and other safety tips, visit wildlife.ca.gov.



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