

Artist Makes Sculpture Out of Keys From Destroyed Homes

Last year, the town of Paradise, California was devastated by an [] wildfire. The fire wiped out over 8,000 of the town's homes. Since then, art therapist Jessie Mercer has been [] the keys to these destroyed buildings to create a sculpture that would be meaningful to former residents of Paradise. Mercer received [] in the mail containing keys to homes, schools, churches, shops, and businesses that burned down in 2018. The sculpture is an 800-pound phoenix, made of over 14,000 of these keys. The phoenix was [] to a community support centre for [] of the fire. In recognition of her work for the community, Mercer was awarded a key to the town.