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## **April Newsletter**

### Shasta County Has A New

### **Emergency Notification System**

The existing Emergency Alert System, called CodeRED, will be discontinued as of May 1, 2024. To get evacuation and emergency notifications you **must** register with the new AlertShasta System. Please register here: <u>https://alertshasta.genasys.com/portal/en</u>

### Join Our Board!



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Hey there, community champions!

Do you have a burning desire to give back and make a difference in Shasta County? The Shasta County Fire Safe Council is on the lookout for enthusiastic volunteer Board members to join our dynamic team!

We're dedicated to tackling important issues like fire mitigation, promoting forest health, and spreading the word about staying fire safe in our beautiful community. So, if you're a Shasta County local with a passion for giving back and making our neighborhood safer, we want to hear from you!

Whether you're a seasoned pro or a fresh face, your passion and dedication are what matter most. Plus, if you've got a knack for numbers and finance, we're particularly keen to welcome you aboard!

Ready to ignite change and safeguard our community? Drop us an email at <u>shasta.fsc@shastafiresafe.org</u> or give us a ring at 530-360-0120 to learn more. Together, let's spark a brighter, safer future for Shasta County!

## **Chippers Are Here!**

The Shasta County Fire Safe Council (SCFSC) is excited to begin providing **free** curbside chipping to all Shasta County residents. If you are interested in participating in this program, click here: <u>https://www.chipperday.com/shastafs</u> and register your address.



# **Preparedness Day**



#### PICK YOUR PROJECT (or more than one!):

Clear:

- All leaves and dry material 3 to 5 feet from a home's foundation
- Under decks, porches, sheds, and play structures.
- Remove low-hanging tree branches 4 feet up from the ground.

#### Communicate:

- Create a family communication plan.
- Registering your mobile number to receive emergency notifications at <u>CodeRED</u>
- Develop a phone tree that can be used to alert everyone about a fire or evacuation.

#### Check:

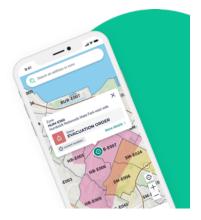
- You see your home's address number from the street.
- You see your neighbor's address number from the street.
- That firewood piles are greater than 30 feet away from structures.
- That neighbors have registered for emergency notifications at <u>CodeRED</u>.

#### Create:

- Evacuation bags for every member of the household (including pets!)
- Evacuation maps from homes, schools, and places of work.
- Meeting points for all family members outside a wildfire area.

## **Know your Evacuation Zone**

Do you know your Evacuation Zone? Wildfire season is coming up quickly, so be sure you know your Evacuation zone. Simply enter your address and the website will give you your official zone. <u>https://protect.genasys.com/search</u>



# **Firewise USA Facts**

#### Q: What makes a community "Firewise?"

**A:** Firewise communities are neighborhoods that have taken appropriate measures to become more resistant to wildfire structural damage. Communities that have earned the special distinction of being recognized under the Firewise USA Program have followed a systematic approach to organizing and implementing a Firewise mitigation plan in their neighborhood.

Want to know more about forming a Firewise community? <u>Visit our Website for more information.</u>



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