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June Newsletter

Emergency Notification Systems

Evacuations and Notifications: To get official evacuation and emergency notifications you **must** register with the new **AlertShasta** System. Please register here: <https://alertshasta.genasys.com/portal/en>

You can also download 2 phone apps and/or bookmark the links in your browser:
Genasys Protect <https://protect.genasys.com/>

*AlertShasta lets you register for notifications for multiple locations like home and work. Genasys Protect uses your phone GPS to notify you of evacuations nearby. This works even when you are away from home or work.

WatchDuty <https://app.watchduty.org/>

WatchDuty sends out notifications for Wildfires in all of Shasta County and continually updates each fire as new information becomes available.



2020 ReCoverCA Housing Programs - Owner-Occupied Wildfire Mitigation Retrofits



This Program provides federal grants to low- and moderate-income homeowners whose residence is located in an eligible county affected by 2020 disasters.

(See eligible disasters)

Program Highlights:

- Federal grant funding up to \$50,000 per household for the Program to provide mitigation and home hardening for low- to moderate-income homeowners in eligible counties.
- Home does not need to have experienced damage in the 2020 disaster to be eligible.
- Program manages all landscaping, construction, inspection, and permitting start to finish.

Eligible Home Hardening & Mitigation Costs Include:

- Debris clearance, demolition, landscaping, repairs, etc. that increase the level of protection from future wildfires and disasters.
- Defensible Space and Home Hardening activities that increase resilience and reduce or eliminate long-term risks and impacts of future disasters.
- Activities that assist in bringing a home and property up to code with [Wildland Urban Interface \(WUI\)](#) standards.

How to Get Started:



For information on how to apply, please visit [hcd.ca.gov/recoverca](https://www.hcd.ca.gov/recoverca) and follow the prompts for the 2020 Program.

ReCoverCA 2020 Housing Grant Programs.

The California Department of Housing & Community Development's ReCoverCA Housing has two Programs that provide funding support to homeowners who have been affected by wildfires, including the Zogg Fire, and to reduce risk and improve resiliency in the event of future disasters.

Homeowners may be eligible for up to \$500,000 to repair and reconstruct their fire damaged homes or up to \$50,000 for wildfire mitigation retrofits.

Learn more: <https://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants.../recoverca/program-resources>

Apply: www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-and-funding/recoverca

Come Meet Us!

Find us at the following events:

Lakehead Fire Safety Day - June 8th

at the [Lakehead Lions Club](#)

Shasta District Fair - June 19th to June 22nd

Forum

at the [Redding Parks - Training Room](#)

Find maps and agendas on our [Events Page](#)



Is your Emergency Kit ready?



Get your emergency supply kit ready well before any wildfire or disaster.

Make sure it's accessible for quick evacuation and prepare for the possibility of being away from home for a while.

Your kit should be easy to carry and access. Use backpacks or buckets to store essentials and personal documents. For food and water, consider a wheeled tub or chest for easier transport. Keep your bag light enough for comfortable lifting into your vehicle.

Ensure your wildfire GO Bag includes.

- A 3-day supply of non-perishable food & 3 gallons of water per person
- A map with at least 2 evacuation routes
- Necessary prescriptions or medications
- A change of clothes & extra eyeglasses/contact lenses
- Extra car keys, credit cards, cash, or traveler's checks
- A first aid kit & sanitation supplies
- A flashlight & battery-powered radio with extra batteries
- Copies of important documents (birth certificates, passports, etc.)
- Pet food & water

Always have sturdy shoes and a flashlight near your bed to be ready for sudden night evacuations.

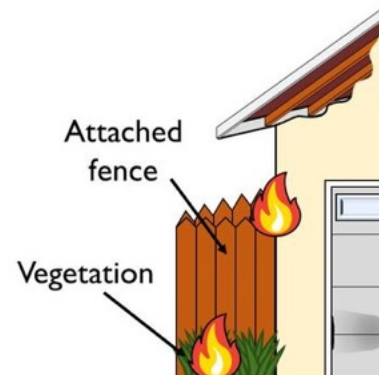
Additional items if time and space allow

If time allows, consider adding:

- Valuables that are easy to carry
- Family photos and irreplaceable items
- Personal computer data on hard drives and disks
- Chargers for cell phones and laptops

Is your fence really a ladder?

With wildfire season heating up, it's time to amp up our home defenses. Fences are the perfect ladder for fire to climb into our homes. Replace the 5-foot section closest to the house with noncombustible materials such as fire rated cement board siding, metal, or masonry.



Firewise USA Facts

Q: How can I be Firewise and keep my trees?

A: Preparing your property for fire does not mean removing all your trees. There are many things you can do to make your home resistant from embers such as simply removing overhanging branches or removing lower branches from the ground.

Remember that healthy, well-maintained trees or forestland on your property will provide many benefits and not necessarily pose a major risk for wildfire spread. Your site-specific risk depends on the species and arrangement of the trees, as well as other factors. Consult an arborist or forester to learn more about the health of your landscape. Removing or thinning out some trees may actually be necessary to maintain the health of the rest.

Want to know more about forming a Firewise community?

[Visit our Website for more information.](#)

Learn more about landscape trees from our friends at [FireSafe Marin](#).



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