

# WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS

## Checklist

### Before a Wildfire

- **Put together an emergency kit**, including food, water, first aid kit, spare clothes, and other items to support your family's health, safety, and comfort.
- **Create an evacuation plan**. Designate a point-of-contact person who is outside your area in case your family is separated.
- **Consider ways to build out the defensible space around your home**, such as with firescaping.
- **Harden your home** to guard your house against fire.
- **Ensure your valuables are safe** with digital copies of important documents and a fire-proof safe or other secure storage plan.

### During a Wildfire

- **Stay alert and informed** about the level of evacuation in your area by tuning in to local news and radio. Keep your devices charged in case of power loss.
- **Prepare your property for evacuation**: shut off gas and air conditioning, close doors and windows, bring outdoor items inside, turn on all lights, move furniture away from walls, ensure easy access for firefighters.
- **Remember the Five Ps**: People, Prescriptions, Papers, Personal needs, and Priceless items.
- **Dress for evacuation** in full-covering clothing, eye protection, and a face covering or mask.
- **Follow evacuation routes** and set a meeting location outside of the hazard area where family and loved ones should gather.

### After a Wildfire

- **Check with authorities before returning to your property.**
- **Wear protective clothing** to protect yourself from pollution and irritants that may still linger after a fire.
- **Exercise caution when traveling through an area affected by fire.** Roads and driveways may be damaged or blocked.
- **Check your property for hot spots, embers, or smoldering materials.** Clear debris from around your house and driveway.
- **Air out your home** once the air quality has improved.