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Grants Available To Help Prepare Your Home for Wildfire

Dear Neighbors,

If you are worried about how you can afford to clear defensible space and harden your home there are now grants available from the <u>Marin Wildfire Prevention</u> <u>Authority</u> (MWPA). You may also be eligible for reimbursement by the MWPA for work completed as far back as July 1st, 2020. You will need to show a Defensible Space Inspection (DSI) report, which many of you received this summer when our local fire department inspectors walked through our neighborhood.

To access your home's report go to <u>https://dspace.marinwildfire.org</u>. Plug in the unique code that was written on the door hangar left after last summer's inspection. If you can't locate the code you can email <u>dspace@marinwildfire.org</u> to request that it be sent to you. Be sure to include your name and address.

If you don't have a DSI report, no worries. You can complete an application on the <u>MWPA's</u> website.

There are additional grants for those of you in our neighborhood who are located within San Rafael's boundaries. Please see <u>FIRESafe Marin's</u> website for more details.

Links to these grants and a wealth of information on where to sign up for emergency alerts, and learn more about property preparation and evacuation routes can be accessed from our new <u>Firewise Resources</u> page housed on our own <u>Bayside Acres</u> website.

Other Bayside Acres Firewise News

The City of San Rafael Fire Department completed work to remove hazardous vegetation on Main, Manzanita and Bayview drives this week. This work was identified during the Roadway Survey we announced last December. Please refer to our <u>Post Archives</u>. The SRFD handled this project for our County Service Area (CSA). Highlights include the removal and thinning of a dense cluster of silver acacias and other fire hazardous vegetation near where Main Dr. meets Pt. San Pedro Rd. In the eucalyptus grove on Main Drive, an estimated 50+ Eucalyptus trees less than 8" in diameter when measured at breast height (dbh) or 4.5" above the ground were removed. The SRFD plans to look into the possibility of partnering with PG&E to share the cost of removing the larger Eucalyptus trees that are a potential threat to evacuation should they fall across the road.

Please Fill Out Your End-of-Year Report

If you haven't filed reports during 2021 on clearing defensible space and home hardening, please do so now using our online <u>Reporting Form</u> so we can maintain our Firewise certification and all the benefits that come with being a Firewise neighborhood. If you have any trouble filling out the form, please contact either <u>firewise@baysideacres.org</u> or our <u>webmaster@baysideacres.org</u>.

From your Bayside Acres Firewise Team



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