

Healthy Forests/ Land Management

Landscapes are managed to reduce the threat of wildland fire spreading into a community. Foresters, land managers, and private landowners understand fire risks and implement land management practices in parks, forests, watersheds, and natural areas.

Home Preparedness

Residents work together to reduce ignition risks, talk to their local fire department about the Ready, Set, Go! program, and become recognized by the Firewise Communities/USA program. Developers and builders design homes using fire-resistant materials and proper landscaping.

Government Participation and Planning

Local government officials are engaged in wildfire issues, provide leadership, participate in the Community Wildfire Protection Plan, adopt and enforce fire-resistant building codes or ordinances, support community preparedness efforts, and provide resources.

Collaborative Partnerships

Community members and organizations identify wildfire risks and shared responsibilities as part of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Partners use grant funds to reduce risk, and teach wildfire safety in schools and other venues.

Fire Department Planning

Fire departments and other first responders are well prepared for wildland fire scenarios through training, community risk assessments, and participation in the Ready, Set, Go! program and local Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

Business Resilience

Businesses have a pre- and post-disaster redevelopment plan to ensure swift recovery. They have also discussed wildfire coverage with their insurance companies, and have worked to reduce wildfire risk.

What does a fire adapted community look like?

Fire is a natural part of our environment. As we choose to live in areas where wildfires occur, we must adapt the way we design, build and live within these areas to prepare our communities for wildfire. A fire adapted community understands its risks and takes actions

that minimize harm to residents, homes, businesses, parks, and other community assets. These collective actions empower all community members to be safer in their environment. To learn more about making your community fire adapted, visit www.fireadapted.org.

