

## BEFORE A FIRE ERUPTS:

Being prepared and knowing what to do can save lives and property. Evacuations occur rapidly. This checklist can make the difference for you and your family.

## BE READY:

- Teach everyone how to use a fire extinguisher and where they are kept
- Practice evacuation drills and know at least two escape routes
- Prepare an emergency kit and have a family communication plan
- Review your homeowners or renters insurance policy to ensure you have adequate coverage for your property and belongings, and make a comprehensive home inventory, download at: https://bit.ly/2tjajnw

Visit calcas.com/claims-process to learn what to expect during a claim if your home is damaged or destroyed by fire.

## CREATE A 30 FOOT TO 100 FOOT DEFENSIBLE SPACE:

- Keep lawns and native grasses mowed
- Create a fire-free zone within five feet of your home using non-flammable landscaping materials and/or high-moisture annuals and perennials
- Relocate firewood stacks and propane tanks 30 feet from the home
- Space conifer trees 18-30 feet between crowns
- Trim back any limbs that overhang the house
- Remove ladder fuels by pruning trees up six to 10 feet from the ground
- Clear dead vegetation from roofs, under decks and within 10 feet of the home



