



**FIRE SAFE
COUNCIL**
of San Diego County

Increase your community's wildfire preparedness

Form a local Fire Safe Council

When it comes to wildfire, no single person can protect a community. Residents throughout San Diego are joining forces with the Fire Safe Council of San Diego County (FSCSDC) to create local Fire Safe Councils to effectively reduce and prevent wildfire losses.

How a local FSC can benefit your community:

By mobilizing the community members who stand to lose the most, locally-led Fire Safe Councils create a powerful group initiative that can:

- Minimize risks to life, homes, and natural and manmade resources.
- Increase the insurability of property by increasing community safety.
- Forge strong partnerships with first responders.
- Acquire resources to assist fire prevention efforts.

How we support community FSCs in San Diego County:

The FSCSDC is committed to growing and supporting our network of community FSCs. We are here to guide you and offer assistance in keeping your FSC active and productive through:

- Monthly General Meetings and virtual Coffee Chats to connect with partner agencies and other local FSCs.
- Fire safety and education trainings offered free of charge for your community.
- Workshops and templates for preparing a Community Wildfire Protection Plan.
- Support in finding and receiving grant funding to enhance your community's programs along with fiscal sponsorship as applicable.

Fire Safe Councils are grassroots, community-led organizations that mobilize residents to protect homes, communities, and the environment from wildfire. We welcome you to join us in creating a more wildfire resilient San Diego County!

How to start a community Fire Safe Council:

The FSCSDC has all the paperwork, checklists, and connections you need to get started in your community - plus a dedicated staff member to walk you through the process. Some of the first steps to take include:

- Gather interested residents and determine the area you would like to serve.
- Connect with local FSCs and have this area vetted.
- Appoint at least four Board members.
- Develop a mission statement and community FSC objectives.
- Demonstrate commitment and collaboration with partners.

What kind of commitment does it take?

Local FSCs are run by teams of dedicated community volunteers and range in size from small groups with less than five members to larger organizations with dozens of members. Regardless of their size, community FSCs require a team of dedicated individuals willing to commit their time and energy to increase your community's fire safety.

To get started today, contact Morgan Dioli

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