

Southern California Wildfires Tip

Here are a few tips to consider if you live in a fire zone.

1. Always have an evacuation plan and carry necessary medicine with you that is needed
2. Gather important documents passports, SS Card, birth certificate, external hard drive, laptops, jewelry, photo album books any priceless items.
3. Take pictures or videos of your home before you evacuate and tell neighbors or family members where you're going
4. Be sure you are up to date on your insurance policy. If you live in a fire zone you will be required to get additional fire coverage, which can be provided by an insurance company or through the state. Some insurance policies do have caps as well, so do your research.

Pro-active tips before a wildfire:

1. Clear decks, porches, gutters and eaves of leaves debris, pine cones and tree bark
2. Hydrate and maintain yards; quick disposal of lawn cuttings and debris
3. Prune trees to make the lowest branches 6 to 10 feet from the ground.
4. Fix any loose, broken, missing roof tiles, keep any firewood, propane tanks or high combustible material about 100 feet away if possible from your home.
5. Try to have an outdoor water source and hose that can get water to any area of your property.
6. Have a generator that can run off gas or propane as utility service will be turned off

We had a few close calls during the fires this go around, which made it uncomfortable. However, we are lucky and fortunate our home is safe. Our thoughts and prayers are with those families that have lost their home or have been displaced by Los Angeles fires. We thank all the fire fighters that helped fight the fires and kept LA safe.



This was a view of the fire from our home of the fires. If you know of anyone that is need of help please provide them my information so I can lend a hand in helping out.

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