



MISSION AND OBJECTIVES OF THE SCRIPPS RANCH FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

MISSION:

To promote proactive fire prevention projects within Scripps Ranch, a wildland-urban interface community, and to assist in the formation of Neighborhood Chapters to remove the wildfire hazards threatening their families, their homes, and their community.

OBJECTIVES:

- To inform homeowners, local stakeholders, and community leaders, that our community can be made safe from future wildfires only by locally initiated and supported efforts. Federal, State, and Civic organizations alone cannot provide wildfire protection for this nine-square-mile community. Only through self-initiated, proactive, and coordinated neighborhood projects that involve the support of our homeowners -- can we overcome the wildfire hazard we now live with.
- To recruit and encourage neighborhood leaders who wish to take a proactive part in mitigating their local wildfire hazards.
- To facilitate the establishment of neighborhood Chapters of the Scripps Ranch Fire Safe Council and to offer expertise, guidance, and support in the preparation of local fire prevention programs -- to include: preparing Project Plans; initiating membership drives; securing the necessary permits; finding funding support; and securing professional assistance for creating fire breaks and removing dangerous vegetation.
- To educate homeowners on defending their homes and property from ignition by firebrands and flying embers during wildfires — and to foster a greater appreciation for the wildfire threat to urban communities adjacent to the Wildland/Urban Interface.
- To coordinate and exchange information with, and to learn from, the experience and wisdom of other environmental and fire prevention-oriented organizations.
- To utilize the assets and capabilities provided by the Scripps Ranch Community Fire Safe Alliance, a coalition of Federal, State, County and Civic organizations committed to assisting Scripps Ranch in implementing fire prevention initiatives.
- To mentor newly forming Fire Safe Councils throughout the County.