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FREE: INDIVIDUAL HOME IGNITION ZONE ASSESSMENTS

Dear Hidden Hills Residents,

To request your FREE on-site Home Ignition Zone Assessment please email your request to set a date and time to: terri@communitybrigade.org

When a wildfire occurs, thousands of embers can rain down on your home and ignite receptive fuels or become lodged in areas that could cause your house to burn down. These areas are known as the Home Ignition Zone.

Embers coming into contact with flammable material is a major reason why homes are destroyed during a wildfire. Common materials that become embers during wildfires include palm fronds, branches, tree bark, and native vegetation. Depending on fire intensity, wind speed, and the size of materials that are burning, embers can be carried more than a mile ahead of the main fire front. Consequently, even homes located blocks away from the actual flame front are vulnerable to ignition and complete destruction. By being ember aware and taking action ahead of time to assess your properties exposure to ignition can substantially reduce your risk of loss.

Operating under a specialized Wildland Fire Preparedness Grant from Cal Fire, our team will gladly conduct a FREE assessment of your home and property to help identify visible risks and determine what mitigation actions should be considered.

Your Custom Home Ignition Zone Assessment will include:

- A review of external exposures from the roof to the ground and surrounding area (on your property)
- You will receive a customized written report that includes descriptions and photographs of visible exposures and recommended mitigation actions.
- You will receive links to important information relevant to living in a high or very high wildland fire risk area.
- The review will take approximately 1.5 hours to complete (time can vary based on size of the property being reviewed).
- Note: The Home Ignition Zone Assessment (HIZ) is designed to provide education and exposure awareness (visible exposures only). The HIZ assessment and recommended mitigation actions does not guarantee your house will not be impacted by wildfire. The inspectors are not liable for any action taken or not taken by the homeowner.
- All reviews are customized to the home being reviewed.