



Happy New Year

As year 2025 has now come to a close, the Crest Fire Safe Council (CFSC) would like to share with you what we've been busy doing this past year to improve the fire safety and resilience of the Crest community. A big thank you to the many volunteers and our funding partners who make this all happen.

Some of our accomplishments for year 2025:

- Crest Firewise Designation for all of Crest – October 2025
- Secured **\$55,050** in grant funds to conduct Fire Safety services/projects to Crest
 - SAFE Grant for Free Reflective House Number Signs
 - Joel Anderson Grant for street signs for non-county maintained roads
 - Sunrise Powerlink Fire Mitigation Community Grant for 2 Free Cleanup events (8 dumpsters were filled with 21.3 tons of debris and 60 tires) Thank you to Crest school, for allowing us to use the facility. Along with **FREE Curbside Chipping** for 75 residents – resulted in over 400 cuft of chipped vegetation! Great Job homeowners - tell your neighbors about the opportunity for free Chipping in 2026!
- **One-Call-Now** calls were made to 2,186 phone numbers for 3 events in 2025 to quickly update the community on nearby fires/emergencies
- A total of **21 community meetings held on Firewise, wildfire prevention and preparedness with** contractors and agencies contributing their time to provide information on Home Hardening and Defensible Space.
- **Fuel Break Maintenance** – CalFire maintained 38 acres of existing fuel breaks.
- **Applied for 3-year 2026-2028 CalFire grant for \$60,000 for curbside chipping**

CFSC will continue in 2026 with curbside chipping, clean-up events, education workshops, defensible space assistance and much more.

Follow all the events and schedules or 2026 Fire Safety opportunities on the CFSC website. Visit the website for fire safety information – <https://www.crestfsc.com/>

We wouldn't be able to do all of this without volunteers and our community partner. If you're interested in spending even a small amount of time in helping Crest enjoy a safer and better prepared community, please contact Diana Griffin at queenieglass@gmail.com

Wishing you and your family a safe New Year.

