

Are You Prepared for Wildfires?

May is Wildfire Preparedness Month. It is important to be aware of your environment and follow recommended preparedness practices to increase your resilience to fires.

How to Get Prepared



Create a Family Emergency Plan

Make sure people in your home know where, when and how to evacuate if the time comes. Create a designated meeting point.



Sign up For Emergency Alerts

Visit BOCOAlert.org to sign up to receive emergency messages about imminent threats and hazards by text message, email, and/or on your cell, home or work phone.



Implement Home Mitigation Measures

There are lots of ways to mitigate your physical home to increase your resilience to fires. Mitigation measures include:

- Install and test smoke alarms
- Fire-resistant materials for home structures, fences, and decks.
- Landscaping - Did you know there are fire-resistant plants that you can incorporate into your yard?



Learn How to Manually Open Your Garage Door

Power could be lost during a wildfire disaster. If power is lost, it is not uncommon for your garage door to only be opened and closed manually. Make sure everyone in your family knows how to open the garage door by hand.

Wildfire Preparedness Resources

Louisville

- **Resilient Louisville**
LouisvilleCO.gov/ResilientLouisville
- **Louisville Fire Protection District**
Louisvillefire.com/safety-education/riskprevention

Boulder County Office of Disaster Management

- ODM offers a variety of preparedness resources. Visit Boulderodm.gov/preparedness for information, trainings and workshops.

Live Wildfire Ready

- Colorado State Forest Service & Colorado State University have great toolkits and programs to educate on how to live with wildfires. Visit csfs.colostate.edu/live-wildfire-ready/ to get more information.

Wildfire Partners

- Wildfire Partners offers many resources including funding opportunities to increase your resilience towards wildfires. Visit Wildfirepartners.org to learn more.

