



## Wildland Residents Association San Marcos Pass Volunteer Fire Department

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Dear Neighbor:

Are you interested in supporting your community with a membership in the Wildland Residents Association?

The Wildland Residents Association (WRA) volunteer fire department is often the first line of defense for the mountain and foothill communities. The San Marcos Pass communities are now plentiful with dry grasses and brush which continues to add to the anxiety of wildfire. We were surrounded by both the Whittier and the Thomas Fires this year and our volunteers served as backup and support during those incidents. Your support is needed now more than ever before to cover our ongoing costs of radios, equipment, training, fuel and insurance.

In addition to supporting our firefighters, the WRA works to reduce hazards by teaming with local, state and federal agencies to reduce fuel, create firebreaks, protect our community and provide public education. The WRA regularly appears before local and state agencies to lobby on behalf of those of us who live on the mountain and is an active participant in the development of the local Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP).

The WRA also maintains the *San Marcos Pass Emergency Radio System* SMPERS – AM 1040, produces the radio program *Community Alert* on KZSB – AM 1290 and keeps an active website at [wildlandresidents.org](http://wildlandresidents.org).

The WRA appreciates your continued assistance in helping us provide these services in support of our community. All new WRA members will receive a reflective address sign.

Please send your tax-exempt membership fee and donation with your updated emergency contact information. The attached renewal card has the information we currently have on file for emergency notifications. Please fill it out and return with your membership dues and donation.

Thank you for your continued support of the WRA and the San Marcos Pass Volunteer Fire Department.

Sincerely,

Michael Williams  
President-Executive Director

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