

defensible space

planning and preparation



GET SET!



- ✓ Create a family disaster plan that includes meeting locations and communication plans, and rehearse it regularly. Include in your plan the evacuation of large animals such as horses.
- ✓ Have fire extinguishers on hand and train your family how to use them.
- ✓ Plan several different escape routes.
- ✓ Designate an emergency meeting location outside the fire hazard area.
- ✓ Assemble an emergency supply kit as recommended by the American Red Cross.
- ✓ Appoint an out-of-area friend or relative as a point of contact so you can communicate with family members who have relocated.
- ✓ Maintain a list of emergency contact numbers posted near your phone and your emergency supply kit.
- ✓ Keep an extra emergency supply kit in your car in case you can't get to your home because of fire.
- ✓ Have a portable radio or scanner so you can stay updated on the fire.

NOTE: *The following emergency planning guides are being used with permission of the Orange County Fire Authority. (www.ocfa.org)*