

**Subject: Firewise Donations – Need Your Help**

Congratulations to all on the great progress toward our 2021 Firewise certification. Many thanks to all for your project work contributions and help with metrics over the last 10 months. We are in a good position for our upcoming re-certification in March.

The DPA board made the dumpster days, hydrant painting and Firewise signage possible by allocating funding toward these projects to reduce fire risk in Dollar Point. During 2020 more than 30% of DPA members participated in dumpster days, hydrant painting and individual cleanup projects. The Dumpster days removed 510 cu yards of fire fuel. Our goal for 2021 is to achieve more than 50% member participation and remove even more fire fuel.



For 2021 the DPA board has increased the Firewise funding allocation 70%. However, the amount will not meet the projected expenses for this year. The Board has asked that we request member donations and continue to apply for funding grants to help offset the increasing costs. Planned 2021 investments include scaling up dumpster days and Firewise signage. For example, scaling up dumpster days for 50% member participation requires a top loader for each day, multiple transportation trips with full dumpsters (last summer we filled 13 Dumpsters in a single day), and DPA staff for traffic control and dumpster loading. The more fire fuel we haul out the safer Dollar Point will be.

The Firewise committee is asking for donations to help fund 2021 Firewise projects that reduce wildfire risk to your home and DPA facilities. Please consider a \$20, \$50 or other amount to help keep Dollar Point fire safe. If you are able to help, please fill out the following form and send with a check to the DPA mailing address (P.O. Box). At the Dumpster day events we will be asking for donations as well as checking membership IDs for all who are dropping off green materials.

Will donations be tax deductible? While DPA is a non-profit organization, we are classified as a recreational association rather than a public charity or charitable foundation (a 501c-3 tax classification). Thus, donations to DPA for Firewise are not tax deductible.

Thank you in advance for supporting our Firewise Projects!

Stay safe and well,

Dollar Point Firewise Committee - <https://www.dollarpoint.org/committees/firewise-committee>

**2021 DPA Firewise Donation Form:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lot number: \_\_\_\_\_ Dollar Point Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Firewise Donation Amount: \$20 \_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to DPA and note this is for the Firewise fund on the check.  
Mail form and check to: DPA Firewise Donation, Dollar Point Association, P.O. Box 1490  
Tahoe City, CA 96145