

Dear New Mountain Resident,

As Chief of the Boulder Mountain Fire Protection District (BMFPD), I welcome you to your mountain home!

It is important you read the information provided in this new resident package about living in these beautiful foothills.

BMFPD members are dedicated to the protection and education of the District's residents. I encourage you to take time to become acquainted with our services. In this regard, here are 12 Top Safety Tips you should observe:

- Call 911 for all emergencies
- Install fire extinguishers, carbon monoxide detectors, and smoke alarms*
- Install a reflective address marker* at your driveway's entrance very important!
- COMPLETELY SOAK fireplace or stove ashes in a metal container for a minimum of 7 days before disposal
- Stack firewood at least 30 feet uphill from all structures (house, deck, garage, shed)
- Design an evacuation plan and know your evacuation routes (see www.bmfpd.org/evacuation)
- Sign up to receive emergency messages, such as evacuation orders, at www.BoCo911.com
 (Cell phones won't automatically receive emergency messages; you must register them first.)
- Photograph and inventory your belongings and store this record off-site
- Contact your insurance company to make sure you are adequately covered
- Contact our Wildfire Mitigation Superintendent, Mike Palamara, at <u>mitigation@bouldermountainfire.org</u> to have your property mitigated to reduce your risk from wildfire
- DO NOT feed wild animals or leave pet food outside
- Complete the enclosed File of Life and post it conspicuously in your kitchen where first responders can find it

Please visit our website, <u>bmfpd.org</u>, to learn more about our operation and how you can volunteer.

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^{*} You can order a reflective address marker, fire extinguishers, and carbon monoxide detectors at https://bouldermountainfireauxiliary.org/community-safety-store-1. If we can't find you, we can't help you!