

Name:
Property Address:

2023 Jefferson County CWPP Defensible Space Grant
Application Instructions

Defensible Space Grant Program Summary

Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council, in a collaborative effort with the Jefferson County Fire Chiefs, is offering private landowners the opportunity to apply for funding in an effort to minimize fire danger as outlined in the Jefferson County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). Residents that are eligible will be offered a flat rate reimbursement of \$500 for treating the land around their home to Firewise standards.

The goal of Firewise is to minimize fire danger in subdivisions and neighborhoods and make firefighting safer and more effective. Information on Firewise and how to prepared your home for wildfire can be found on the National Fire Protection Association website here: <https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Wildfire/Preparing-homes-for-wildfire>. Fire chiefs will be responsible for assuring that the standards have been met prior to dispensing funds. The Fire Officials are trained evaluators of the Firewise standards and will assess and certify properties as requested. The overall goal of this project is to reduce the threat of catastrophic wildfire to homes in high risk areas by reducing hazardous fuels on private lands.

Applications are open now. Applications must be submitted by September 1, 2023 and all grant projects must be completed by October 1, 2023. Your project will need to be approved by your local fire officials by **October 31, 2023.**

Applications Eligibility and Requirements

1. The land owner must a) own a dwelling on their property (this does not include sheds, pole barns and other non-habitable buildings); b) own property in a “high density or extreme high-density Wildland Urban Interface”, otherwise referred to as WUI in the 2016 Community Wildfire Protection Plan; and c) complete the project (work complete and Fire Official inspection and sign off complete by) 10/1/2023. The eligible communities are listed on the following page with a link to the maps.
2. The homeowner must schedule a pre-application meeting with their local fire district prior to submitting an application. The application must be approved by your district’s Fire Official prior to the area being treated.
3. If application is approved, the homeowner must be able to complete the work by October 1, 2023. The homeowner is responsible for notifying the fire district when the work has been completed so that officials may come look at the site and sign off on the work prior to the homeowner being compensated.
4. Homeowner must submit an application with a minimum of three (3) pictures of the area they would like to treat prior to the application being approved (grant cannot be used retroactively to application).

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Eligible at-risk communities include the following:

- Camp Sherman
- Crooked River Ranch
- Dizney
- Grandview Air Park, Rim Park and Forest Park)
- High Chaparral
- Juniper Butte
- Juniper Crest
- Madras Ranchos/Canyon View
- Round Butte
- Shamrock Estates
- Street Creek/Upper Metolius/Montgomery Shores
- Three Rivers

Here is a link to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan and associated maps for more information:

<https://www.coic.org/emergency-preparedness/jefferson-co-cwpp/>

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Step 1: Call or stop by your local fire district to **schedule a pre-application meeting** (see contact information below). Fire officials will work with you to build your application and ensure your project is eligible.

Step 2: Fill out the application and include **(3) images of the area you are proposing to be treated.**

Step 2: Submit the application to **your local fire district**. Funding is limited, so applications are first come, first served. You will be notified if your application has been denied due to funding availability.

Step 3: Your project application will need to be pre-reviewed by your district's designated Fire Official before you can start work. If needed, additional documentation or clarification may be requested of you.

Step 4: Once reviewed, you will be notified by the Fire Officials in your district whether or not your project is approved and if you can proceed.

Step 5: Once your project is complete, contact your Fire Officials for a post project inspection to ensure work meets projects standards and application requirements were met. You or your district's Fire Officials will need to submit 3 images of the area post-work in order to receive reimbursement. Once a fire official signs off on your final work (**including 3 images of the area post-work**), they will notify COIC and you will be issued a reimbursement check at the mailing address you provide below.

If you have questions, contact Sommers Taylor at staylor@coic.org.

Applicant Information /Contact Information

Name:

Mailing Address (for check to be sent to):

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

E-Mail:

Primary Property

Address:

Tax Lot #:

Community or Subdivision:

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1. Briefly explain the financial need for this grant:

Describe how the grant will help you increase your defensible space.

Example: We need to hire a contractor to help with fuels reduction but do not have the financial capability to do this.

2. Have you applied for other funding assistance to support this project or a similar project?

Have you received funding assistance from any other agency to complete wildfire mitigation?

If so, please describe the funding source and amount awarded.

3. Project Overview and Area Description

Briefly explain your project, what you plan to do and a description of the area and scope of work.

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4. Please include an illustration and photos (3) indicating structures to be treated. 30' primary and 100'

5. Project Longevity / Maintenance

Clearly explain your maintenance plan for the next 3-5 years. How will this work remain effective without additional grant support?

5. Project Timeline

Please describe your estimated timeline for completing this work.

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ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- ✓ Submit three (3) pre- treatment pictures.
- ✓ Thin junipers and limb 6-8’ high, 30-100’ from structures, at the discretion of your fire district. Remove ladder fuels.
- ✓ Relocate your firewood pile more than 30 feet away from your home (if applicable).
- ✓ Clear flammable debris from gutters and roof (if applicable).
- ✓ Mow or weed-whack dry grass to a height of 4 inches or less for at least the first 30 feet surrounding your home (if applicable).
- ✓ Rake/remove pine needles and other flammable debris 30 feet away from the home (if applicable).
- ✓ Remove flammable material from underneath any elevated decking (if applicable).
- ✓ All dead branches overhanging any portion of the roof must be removed (if applicable).
- ✓ Identify your home with legible, clearly marked numbers (if applicable).
- ✓ Driveway clearances - the driveway must be clear from trees and/or brush and meet these standards: at least 12 wide, 13 ½ feet tall and a minimum of 10 feet from centerline of the driveway or access road.
- ✓ Agree to maintain your defensible space/ fuels reduction project and annually address items above.

I, _____ (print name) have reviewed, understand and agree to all requirements and certify that this application, and any attached documents, are accurate.

Applicant Signature _____

Date _____

Submit to your local Fire District

A check will be sent to you from:

Crooked River Ranch
Fire & Rescue
6971 SW Shad
Rd
Terrebonne, OR
97760
Phone:(541) 923-6776

Sisters-Camp Sherman
Fire District
301 South Elm Street
PO Box 1509
Sisters, OR 97759
Phone: (541) 549-0771

Jefferson County
Fire and EMS
765 S Adams Dr
Madras, OR 97741
Phone:(541) 475-7274

Lake Chinook Fire &
Rescue Defensible Space
Grant 11700 SW Graham
Rd Culver, OR 97734
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Pre-Work Approval				Post-Work Approval			
Assessment Date:				Approved for payment date:			
Assessed by:				Approved for payment by:			
Application Requirements Met?	Yes	No		Application Requirements Met?	Yes	No	
Photos included?	Yes	No		Photos included?	Yes	No	
Signature:				Signature:			