

# **RESIDENTS' ANNUAL END OF SUMMER CHECKLIST**

## A CHECKLIST FOR GFPD Residents

This checklist includes actions residents can perform annually to help create a fire safe home and community.

- Clear roof, deck and gutters of pine needles and other debris.
- Mow grass and weeds to a height of 4 inches or less in Zone 2 (30-45 feet) around your home.
- Rake all pine needles and other flammable debris away from the foundation of your home and deck.
- Remove trash and debris accumulations from your defensible space.
- Check exterior vents to make sure they are in place, free from debris and lint, and in good condition.
- Store firewood pile at least 30 feet from all structures and ensure there is at least 10 feet of clearance between the pile and all trees.
- Remove dead vegetation from flowerpots and flower beds.
- Remove umbrellas, cushions, carpets, and other flammable items from the deck.
- Clear combustible materials from underneath the deck. This includes all plastic, live and dead vegetation, and wood.
- Schedule a routine heating system tune up.
- If you burn wood, schedule a routine inspection and cleaning for your chimney system.