

# **EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL**

## **1. Overview**

The El Dorado County Fire Safe Council (EDCFSC or Council) is a nonprofit organization, which is tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and tax exempt under Section 23701(d) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. It is governed by a Board of Directors, which is representative of the community it serves.

Education and community outreach are a top priority for the Council. We make the residents of the County aware of the risks of living within a Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) and what can be done to protect their homes and property from wildfires. Creating defensible space is their responsibility. Over the past decades, people have moved into the forest and wildland environment because of the natural resources and rural atmosphere; it is a beautiful place to live. However, many people build homes in this environment with little or no knowledge of what it means to live with the threat of catastrophic wildfires.