



**FIRE
SAFE
MARIN**

**MARIN WILDFIRE
PREVENTION AUTHORITY**

INVESTING IN A FIRE ADAPTED MARIN COUNTY



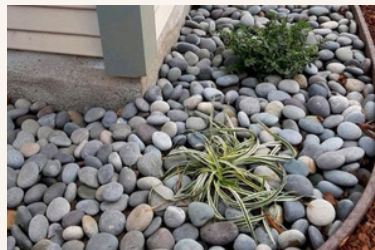
Zone Zero Budgeting

There are many ways to make your home more resilient to wildfire. However, we often hear from residents that they are concerned about the cost of making these changes. We are here to assure you that there are ways to make these improvements even on a budget! Start by making a list of all the possible projects and then plan how you can do these over a period of time so you spread out the cost. Remember the investment you make in fire prevention is protecting one of your biggest assets- your home!

The first 5 ft around your house is the most important area for wildfire protection of your home. Nothing combustible should be here. There are cost efficient options to make your Zone 0 ember-resistant and attractive.

Consider cost when selecting ground covering. There is a range of cost options to choose from. The price listed below are per square foot.

- Gravel (\$1-3)
- Decomposed granite (\$1-3)
- Pebbles (\$5-20)
- Large stones (\$50-100)
- River rocks (\$50-200)



Use the **FREE chipper program to get rid of plant material in Zone Zero.**

Remove hazardous plants, bushes, and any plant over 18" within 5 feet of your house, including juniper, bamboo, and Italian Cypress.



Replace planting beds with **potted plants.**

Again there are a range of cost options here too. **DO NOT** to use plastic or wooden pots.

