

GOLDEN GATE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT COMMUNITY QUESTIONNAIRE

Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements by circling a number, where 1 indicates that you strongly disagree with the statement and 6 indicates that you strongly agree with the statement. Please **DO NOT** write your name on this questionnaire. All responses are anonymous and will be collected and reported back to the GGFPD Board as part of their planning process. ***YOUR OPINIONS ARE VALUED AND GREATLY APPRECIATED!***

1. I need to learn more about fire mitigation and my role in fire prevention.

1	2	3	4	5	6
No, I have enough information.				Yes, there are always more things I need to know.	

2. I am confident that the Golden Gate Fire Department provides competent emergency response.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Improvement is needed for me to have confidence.				I trust them to deliver professional services.	

3. The GGFPD Board understands the needs of the community.

1	2	3	4	5	6
The community's needs are not understood. We are not heard.				We are encouraged to express our needs. We are listened to.	

4. GGFPD clearly communicates critical facts, current issues, and the risks of living in the wildland/urban interface.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Communications are nonexistent.				Communications are excellent.	

5. I am concerned about living in a high fire danger region.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Little or no concern				Extreme concern.	

6. I need to take more responsibility as a property owner in protection of my residence.

1	2	3	4	5	6
It is the responsibility of the fire department to protect my property.				It is primarily my responsibility to make improvements in my property protection.	

7. GGFPD manages financial and physical resources responsibly.

1	2	3	4	5	6
There is much waste.				Resources are managed effectively and efficiently.	

8. I am interested in attending a Citizen Fire Academy to learn more about my responsibilities as a landowner in the wildland/urban interface.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Not interested.				Extremely interested.	

9. I am proud of the GGFPD and its members.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Improvement is needed.				I speak highly of their actions when asked.	

10. The GGFPD provides services that have value to me as a resident/landowner.

1	2	3	4	5	6
There is no value.				They exceed my expectations.	

11. I find the information contained in the newsletter and/or website useful in making my home/land more fire wise.

1	2	3	4	5	6
No useful information.				Variety of useful ideas offered.	

12. I know what to do when a medical, fire, or hazardous materials emergency occurs within the district.

1	2	3	4	5	6
I'm not sure what to do.					I know exactly who to contact and what to do.

13. I am familiar with the fire wise recommendations for protecting my home.

1	2	3	4	5	6
I am not aware.				I am aware and understand.	

14. I have taken steps to make my land/residence more fire wise.

1	2	3	4	5	6
I don't know what to do.					I know what to do and I am taking action.

15. My neighbors have taken steps to make their land/residence more fire wise.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Their property is a fire hazard.					They are aggressive in their improvements.

16. I am interested in becoming a member of the volunteer fire department.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Not now.				Very much interested. I will call.	

17. I support a higher tax rate in the GGFPD in order to provide improved fire department services.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Not now.					Highly support.

Do you have any other comments or concerns not covered by the questions? Please jot them down here, or attach another sheet, as necessary.

Thank you for completing this questionnaire and helping the GGFPD improve its services to the community. Please return this questionnaire to:

Golden Gate Fire Protection District, P.O. Box 843, Golden, CO 80402-0843

Definitions of terms used:

GGFPD: Golden Gate Fire Protection District

Fire Wise: Recognized as having taken action to reduce the risk of being ignited by wildfire (thinning vegetation, fire resistant building materials, water supply, building on level land, creating fire breaks, driveway accessible to fire equipment, visible address signs, location of woodpiles and propane tanks, etc.)

Fire Mitigation: Proactive, pre-fire actions taken to reduce the potential of fire rather than reactive, fire fighting suppression.

Fire Suppression: To extinguish a fire.

Wildland/Urban Interface: An area where homes and other types of structures are located next to large amounts of vegetation/forest.