



# Mendocino County Fire Safe Council

FY 2018 Accomplishments  
FY 2019 Plans

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# MCFSC Mission

*To inform, empower, and mobilize  
county residents to survive and thrive  
in a wildfire-prone environment*

The County's partner to facilitate  
residents' preparedness

## Approach:

- Operations, Support local FSCs
- Education and Outreach
- Project Planning
- Project Implementation



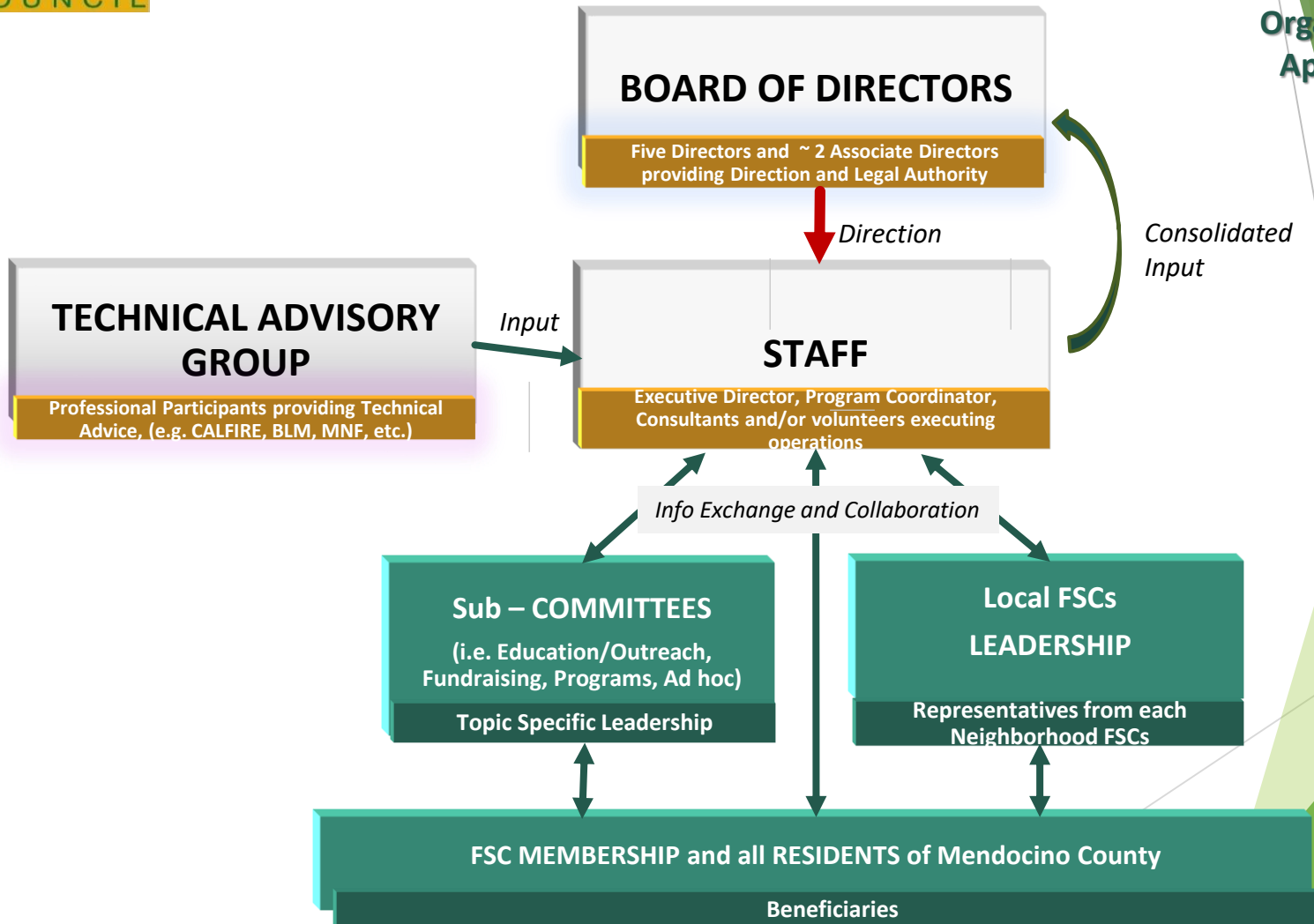
# FY2018 Accomplishments in Operations

- Hired part-time Program Coordinator
- Increased support for Neighborhood FSCs
- Newly installed Board of Directors (BOD)
- BOD approved Organizational Chart
- Formalized Technical Advisory Group
- Reactivated Membership and Volunteer Participation
- Initiated Subcommittees (focus areas)

# FY2018 Accomplishments

## MCFSC Organizational Chart

**MCFSC**  
**Organizational Chart**  
Approved by BOD  
Feb 19, 2019





# FY2018 Accomplishments in Operations (con't)

- Supported creation of over 30 new neighborhood Fire Safe Councils
- Provided over 300 “Reflect to Protect” address signs
- Subcommittees underway:
  - Governance/Policy
  - Membership
  - Education/Outreach/Marketing
  - Fundraising: Grant Writing/Special Events
  - Programs/Guest Speakers
  - Prescribed Fire





# FY2018 Accomplishments in Education/Outreach

- Hosted monthly FSC meetings, distributed literature
- Participated in over twenty neighborhood FSC meetings, promoted collaboration
- Presented at over 25 Public Events, Workshops, Expos
- Four Radio interviews
- Numerous Newspaper articles
- Website improvements:  
[firesafemendocino.org](http://firesafemendocino.org)



# FY2018 Accomplishments in Project Planning

Applied to, or partnered in applications:

➤ CAL FIRE Fire Prevention Grants

- Community Chipper Program (\$1.4M)
- Willits Fuels Reduction (\$1.8M)
- Western Hills Ukiah (\$1.65M)
- Hazardous Tree Removal - Mendo Fire (\$990K)

➤ Community Foundation

- Home Ignition Zone Workshop (\$10K)
- Business Plan for long-term strategy (\$12K)



# FY2018 Accomplishments in Project Implementation

## Awarded:

- PG&E Fuels Management (\$80,000) - complete
- Creating Fire Adapted Communities in the Navarro River Watershed (\$92,922) - underway
- CAL FIRE California Climate Initiative Forest Health grant. (\$1.9M) - underway
- Hazardous Tree Removal - Rdwd Fire (\$950K)
- FEMA Ignition Resistant Const. (\$2.25M)
- Community Chipper Program - Business Plan Development (\$8,000)



# Preparing for the Future



# FY2019 Plans for Operations

- Automation of various MCFSC services through modernized website
- Increased organizational capacity through active volunteer subcommittees
- Finalized Technical Advisory Group Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
- Special Events, Topic specific workshops
- New membership benefits
- MCFSC working to operate more independently of MCRCDD fiscal sponsor to be less burden on RCD resources



# FY2019 Plans for Education/Outreach

- Continued growth in, and effectiveness of neighborhood Fire Safe Councils
- Facilitate active volunteer subcommittee dedicated to education/outreach
- Improved website with a wide range of fire-preparedness resources
- Calendar of Events, highlighting meetings, Workshops, Events
- Updated “Living with Wildfire” magazine for Mendocino County



# FY2019 Plans for Project Planning

- Develop grant applications for county-wide fire preparedness projects
- Gather project needs from local FSCs
- CAL FIRE CCI Forest Health Phase II with Lake County
- Expand services to reach countywide, including underserved and underrepresented communities



# FY2019 Plans for Project Implementation

- Hazardous Tree Removal
- FEMA Fire-resistant construction
- CAL FIRE CCI Phase I and Phase II
- MCFSC BUSINESS PLAN
  - long-term strategy for
  - vegetation management
  - for underserved residents and for
  - self-sustainment of the FSC.



# FY2019 Plans in Summary

- Operations: Full-time Program Coordinator ensures uninterrupted support to County residents.
- Edu/Outreach: More info and availability to the public
- Proj Planning: More support to the County for activities in disaster preparedness
- Proj Implementation: Self-sustaining plan for fuels reduction
- Result: *Better organized communities - reducing demand on County Gov't resources*



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