Dear Board of Supervisors:

In the last several years, those of us living in the 'wildland' area of Mendocino County have suffered greatly by the fires and resultant increased insurance premiums. Those of us in the Inland areas have experienced these tragic results the most. One of the best response resources for many of us has been the Mendocino County Fire Safe Council. They provided trainings, must needed information and obtained a grant to cut the vegetation down along the only escape route for our community. Please fund this essential service for your citizens to at least a \$50,000 level in the upcoming budget to keep this resource viable!

We appreciate your consideration,

Candace Horsley