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2016 National Arson Awareness Week: May 1st-7th

The San Francisco Fire Department is partnering with Fire Service Agencies around the country to promote Arson Awareness through prevention and education. This Year's theme is "*Prevent Wildfire Arson—Spread the facts, Not the Fire*.

What is wildfire arson? "Arson is the willful, malicious, intentional and/or reckless burning of your property or someone else's. Wildfire arson takes place on underdeveloped wildland or uncultivated land comprised of forest, brush or grassland."

San Francisco Fire Marshal Dan De Cossio encourages the public to report arson or suspicious activities anonymously to:

San Francisco Police Department Anonymous Tip Hotline: (415) 575-4444

Please review the following links for Arson Awareness:

https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/arson_awareness.html

https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/publications/display?pubsearch=Protecting%20Homes%20Against%2 0Arson

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