



NEIGHBORHOOD FIRE DAMAGE AWARENESS

Did you have a recent a fire in your neighborhood?

Even if flames never touched your home, smoke, soot, and radiant heat can travel farther than most people realize. That can leave behind hidden damage that may affect your home, health, and any insurance claim.

FIRE DAMAGE SELF-CHECK

- Smoke odor that will not go away
- Dark film or soot on walls, ceilings, or trim
- Black dust or particles coming from vents
- Warped or melted siding or trim
- Blistered or discolored roofing shingles
- Foggy, streaked, or heat-damaged windows

National data shows 42% of homeowners insurance claims in 2024 were closed without payment, and many others are significantly underpaid due to missing or incomplete documentation.

I assist homeowners with documenting their property damage and guiding them through the process so the insurance company can complete a fair and well-supported evaluation of the claim.

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HOME FIRE SAFETY & DAMAGE CHECKLIST

Life is full of unexpected events. Use this quick checklist to improve fire safety in your home to help prevent future damages.



PREVENTATIVE SAFETY

- Install smoke alarms on every level of the home
- Test smoke alarms monthly
- Replace smoke alarm batteries every 6–12 months
- Consider installing smoke detectors with sealed 10-year batteries
- Keep fire extinguishers in accessible areas
- Clean the dryer lint trap and exterior vent regularly

ELECTRICAL & HEATING SAFETY

- Replace frayed or damaged cords
- Avoid overloaded outlets and power strips
- Do not run cords under rugs or furniture
- Keep space heaters away from curtains, bedding, furniture, and clothing
- Use heaters with automatic shut-off features

COOKING SAFETY

- Never leave cooking unattended
- Keep towels, oven mitts, and paper products away from the stove
- Turn pot handles inward
- Maintain a 3-foot kid-free zone around the stove

ESCAPE & EMERGENCY PLANNING

- Create a family fire escape plan
- Identify two ways out of each room
- Choose a safe outdoor meeting spot
- Practice home fire drills twice per year



In Case of Fire

Get out and stay out

Call 911

Document any noticeable
damage through pictures
and videos.

We also assist with:

**Fire/Smoke/Soot · Floods · Lightning · Vandalism · Wind & Rain · Snow & Ice · Ice Damming
Plumbing Leaks · Sewage/Water Backups · Theft · Collapse
Commercial & Residential Claims · And More**

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