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My friend took this picture last week of the Trabuco Canyon fire ("Holy Fire"). California is burning and Hawaii is now bracing for a category 5 storm. Even worse, a personal family friend lost their home in the Northern CA fires!

Check out these 6 steps to prepare yourself for a natural disaster or emergency:

1. Save a password-encrypted copy (not only at your house) of your financial and critical personal, household, insurance, and medical information.
2. Keep some cash in your home in a safe place, preferably in small bills.
3. Get a professional review of your existing life, property, and health insurance policies to ensure your coverage and terms are adequate for your family needs.
4. If you receive any paychecks in the mail from your employer, real estate investments, pensions, social security income, consider switching to direct deposit so no payments get missed.
5. Take pictures and record video of the rooms in your home and any valuable belongings.
6. Make sure your "Go Bag" has extra copies of your photo I.D. as well as important contact information of family members.

We hope you never face these kinds of emergencies. There is no better time than today to begin preparing just in case.

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