



"It's amazing what we accomplished in four hours," said Sherry Twamley, Director, Amigos Del Verde Valley Volunteer Coalition. "We are glad to be of service to so many deserving individuals."

### **May 4, 2014- Amigos Del Verde Valley Spring into Action to Help Keep Elderly and Disabled Residents Fire-Safe**

Amigos Del Verde Valley Coalition volunteers sprung into action in response to requests from elderly and disabled residents who needed help to remove combustible weeds and brush from their yards during the high fire season. After the event was postponed one week because of rain, volunteers stretched from Clarkdale to Cottonwood to the Verde Villages to help keep them fire-safe.

"The extra support of Amigos Del Verde Valley Volunteer Coalition makes it possible for our older adults to continue to grow older in place of their communities of choice. Their support makes a real difference in the lives of our neighbors, " said Executive Director, Kent Ellsworth.

Two Amigos volunteers, Mark and Brad of Taylor Waste, responded to an urgent request for help from the granddaughter of a 98-year old woman who lived alone in a mobile home, in a more remote part of Clarkdale surrounded by four foot tall weeds and brush. The woman was "deathly afraid of her yard catching fire" after surviving two wildfires.

For more information about upcoming Amigos Del Verde Valley Volunteer Coalition projects, go to [amigosdelverdevalley.com](http://amigosdelverdevalley.com).