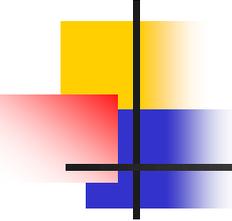


# Disaster Response Planning

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## Sunrise Beach #1

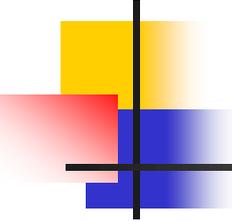
Co-leaders: Norm Johnson and Bill Hays



# What is the Difference between an emergency and a disaster?

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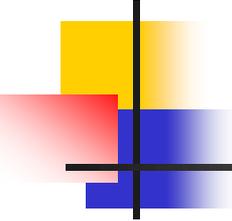
- Emergency – catastrophic event that can be addressed within the household or by requested assistance from outside the area (first responders – fire, police, medical or utility personnel)
- Disaster - catastrophic event:
  - that is significant enough to prohibit or delay immediate response by first responders from outside the area
  - That is beyond the abilities of the household requiring assistance from neighbors



# What are we seeking to accomplish with Disaster Preparedness?

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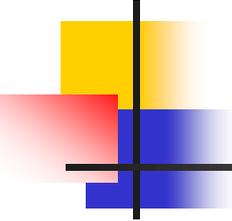
- Develop a plan for organized residential response (neighbor helping neighbor) in a disaster.
- Develop an inventory of neighborhood skills and resources that could be applied in case of a disaster.
- Develop a disaster communications plan.
- Identify vulnerable residents that might need special or priority care in a disaster.
- Assist individual households in preparing for disasters.



# History

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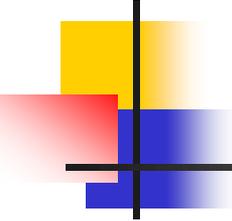
- Started as a project of interest by the Griffin Neighborhood Association
- Uses a disaster readiness plan framework developed by the State of Washington Emergency Management Department and distributed by Thurston County Emergency Management Services
- Sunrise Beach Road volunteered to be a pilot project
  - Community had significant disaster experience with landslide that impacted 19 homes
  - Ice storms have temporarily closed the road
  - Road and utilities are interrupted by falling trees
  - Located in an earthquake prone area
- Pilot results hope to be used to extend planning to other areas of the Griffin Neighborhood



# Sunrise Beach Organizes

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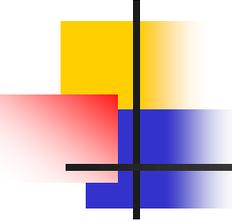
- Area divided into 4 community units of approximately 25 homes each
- 2 co-leaders from each unit formed a committee to supervise development of a plan to be used in each community unit
- First task was to modify the urban based framework for use in a rural setting
- Forms were developed to assess needs and resources.



# Provided Materials

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- Griffin Neighborhood Disaster Readiness Project- Purpose and Description – 1 page front and back
- Sunrise Beach Disaster Preparedness-Introduction and Description – 1 page
- Copy of information on your household being maintained in three ring binder by the two Co-leaders
- Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) Shingle
- Completed Maps and Inventory Sheet for Sunrise Bch #1
- Emergency Resource Guide
- Out-of-Area Contact Person Cards

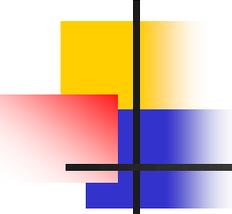


## 9 Steps – Immediately Following Disaster

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### At Home:

- Step 1 - Take care of loved ones
- Step 2 - Protect your head, feet and hands
- Step 3 - Check the propane at your home
- Step 4 - Shut off water at the house main
- Step 5 - Display the Help or OK sign
- Step 6 - Make fire extinguisher visible from road  
(this step may not be reasonable in rural setting)

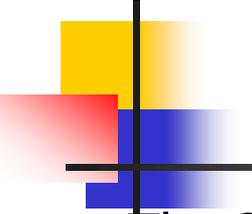


## 9 Steps – Immediately Following Disaster

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### With Neighbors:

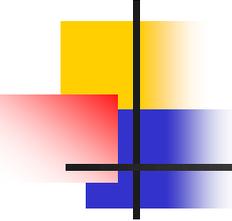
- Step 7 – Go to neighborhood gathering site
- Step 8 – Form functional teams at site
  - Team 1: Monitor media (radio, weather), report back
  - Team 2: Check status of special-needs neighbors
  - Team 3: Check all propane and water connections
  - Team 4: Check homes with “Help” card or no card showing
- Step 9 – Teams return to site, share information



# Where are we at in Sunrise Beach #1

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- The 25 individual homes have been inventoried for needs and resources available
- A mapping of the area has been completed
- Communication plans have been developed
- Individuals with potential special needs have been identified
- Agreement has been reached with the Griffin Fire Department that individual household information will not be forwarded to the department but a binder of information will be located with each co-leader to be shared at an incident
- Forms and procedures have been developed to document contact with all households following a serious incident



# What remains to be done?

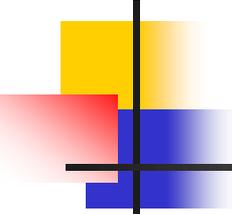
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At this meeting:

- Complete Skills-and-Equipment Inventory
- Designate a gathering site
- Designate possible care center

At Home:

- Assemble individual disaster equipment kits
- Household members become familiar with “Shingle” and map information, including posting of OK/Help sign
- Develop household plans



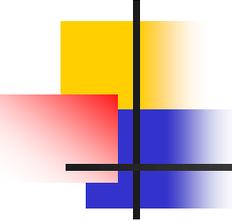
# Development of Household Plans

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## Safety equipment kit for each household member:

- Suggestion is to locate near member's sleeping area
- Needs to include as a minimum:
  - \*Head Protection (hard hat or bicycle helmet)
  - Eye Protection (safety glasses or goggles)
  - Inhalation protection (H1 masks and/or surgical mask)
  - \*Hand protection (gloves that can protect against cuts & burns)
  - \*Foot protection (be able to walk across glass without injury)
  - Flashlight
  - Whistle
  - Hammer/pry bar
  - Bottle of water

\* MAP recommended items for neighborhood response

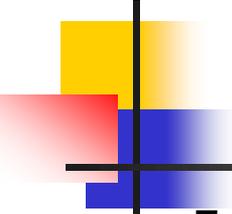


## Development of Household Plans

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Use the provided Emergency Resource Guide to:

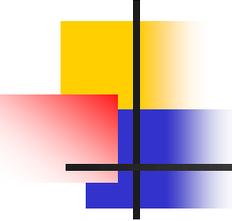
- Prepare your household for emergencies (Page 1)
- Developing family contact plans (Page 2)
- Preparing your vehicle for emergencies (Page 3)
- Developing a stock of emergency supplies (Page 4)
- Answer questions as they develop in an emergency (balance of booklet)



## Additional Household Suggestions

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- Insure that home has an operating land line telephone that operates without electricity and is clearly marked
- Verify all fire extinguishers are operational (non-rechargeable ones have surprisingly limited lives)
- Inventory first aid kits to:
  - Create a list of contents
  - Check for useful life of medications
  - Good place to store back-up individual meds
- Store emergency supplies so they are reasonably accessible from outside the home – near exits



# The End

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- Any Questions?
- Suggestions for future meetings
  - Response rehearsals
  - Update skills-and-equipment inventories
- Thank You for Participating