

## **2015 PREPAREDNESS ACADEMY**Purpose

Pierce County DEM offers ongoing training for community volunteers. This training is provided so you as an Emergency Volunteer you will be better equipped to respond and support your neighborhood and community. The courses are usually free or very low cost and efforts are made to provide some equipment, i.e. start of a disaster first aid kit and resources for your neighborhood team or shelter team. Part of the Preparedness Academy is to also provide opportunities for community members to be volunteers in the Pierce County Emergency Operations Center.

These free classes are open to PC-NET, shelters and other Citizen Corps Council (CCC-PC) groups.

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## 2015 PREPAREDNESS ACADEMY-FIRST QUARTER

Sign up now for the following training opportunities to update and increase your skills. These are free to PCNET, shelters and other Citizen Corps volunteers.

**PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID:** People's reactions to crisis vary. Learn which reactions are harmful and how some are actually beneficial. Take away some important tools you can use to connect with affected people and provide immediate emotional support following an emergency.

**Instructor:** Barbie Tritt, Washington Community Chaplain Corps

**Date & Time:** Feb. 26, Thursday 6:00-8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Puyallup Conference Center 808 Valley Ave NW Puyallup, WA 98371

To register: http://piercecounty.surveyshare.com/s/AYA9D6A

**DISASTER FIRST AID/TRIAGE:** Learn skills and get hands-on experience in how to perform immediate triage, and use disaster first aid following an event. (No certification).

**Instructors:** Buckley Fire & Rescue staff

**Date & Time:** Feb 28, Saturday 8:30 a.m. −12:30 p.m.

Location: Buckley Fire Station 611 South Division Street, Buckley To register: http://piercecounty.surveyshare.com/s/AYA9T6A

**ICS 100,200 & 700:** Take all the required Incident Command System (ICS) classes and take the exams in one day to be eligible to apply for a Washington State Emergency Worker card.

**Instructor:** Judy Harmon, Department of Emergency Management

**Date & Time:** March 9, Monday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Pierce County Emergency Operations Center 2501 S. 35<sup>th</sup> St. Suite D, Tacoma

To register: http://piercecounty.surveyshare.com/s/AYA9D7A

**LEADERSHIP:** Learn practical skills on how to take charge of a situation and appropriately designate

responsibilities. Case studies and scenarios will reinforce what you learned.

**Instructors:** Judy Harmon and Barbara Nelson, DEM staff **Date & Time:** March 10, Tuesday 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.

**Locations:** Pierce County Emergency Operations Center 2501 S. 35<sup>th</sup> St. Suite D, Tacoma

To register: http://piercecounty.surveyshare.com/s/AYA9T7A

Note: Each class must have a minimum number of participants registered one week before the class is scheduled or it will be cancelled.





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## 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER: 2015 PREPAREDNESS ACADEMY

Sign up now for the following training opportunities to update and increase your skills. These courses are free to PCNET, CERT and other Pierce County Citizen Corps volunteers.

**<u>CERTIFIED FIRST AID/CPR:</u>** Certified First Aid/CPR, various locations throughout the county.

**Instructors:** Certified instructors in Pierce County

Date & Time: Varies

**Location:** Various locations in the county

For information & to register: Contact Barbara Nelson or Peggy LovellFord at 253.798.6595 or

email pcdemoutreach@co.pierce.wa.us

Radio Communications: Communication is one of the first technologies impacted by disaster.

Learning how to effectively use hand-held radios during disasters can be an invaluable skill. Empower your PCNET or CERT team or shelter by learning about Family Radio Service (FRS) and General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS). A license is needed for GMRS. Bring your own radio if you have one so you can practice. Additional ones may be available. Neighborhoods and shelter groups are encouraged to come as groups to practice together.

Instructor: Mark Yordy/Steve McKeen, Department of Emergency Management

**Date & Time:** April 11, Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**Location:** Pierce County Emergency Operations Center, 2501 S. 35<sup>th</sup> St. Suite D, Tacoma **To register:** Select the following Link: http://piercecounty.surveyshare.com/s/AYAWTNA

<u>DISASTER FIRST AID, LIGHT SEARCH, TRIAGE, AND RESCUE:</u> Learn skills and get hands-on experience

in how to perform immediate triage and use disaster first aid following an event. (No certification).

**Instructors:** Red Cross Volunteers

**Date & Time:** May 16, Saturday, 2015 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Location:** Central Pierce Fire Station 71-902 7th Street NW Puyallup, 98371

**To register:** Select the following Link: http://piercecounty.surveyshare.com/s/AYAWD9A

**EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER LIAISON FOR CITIZEN CORP OF PIERCE COUNTY: Want to participate** 

at the county EOC when activated? There is a need for Citizen Corp/PC NET and shelter teams to be represented at the CC Liaison Table. At this training you will learn about the role of liaisons and how they are integrated into the activation process during a disaster.

Instructors: Judy Harmon, Emergency Management Staff

Date & Time: June 1, Monday, 9:30 a.m. to noon

**Location:** Pierce County Emergency Operations Center, 2501 S. 35<sup>th</sup> St. Suite D, Tacoma **To register:** Select the following Link: http://piercecounty.surveyshare.com/s/AYAWT9A

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