

January Tip of the Month



Community Preparedness

Following a disaster, your neighbors will become the first responders in your neighborhood. Here are some steps you can take to help better prepare as a community.



- Get to know your neighbors
- Organize a neighborhood meeting to discuss neighborhood hazards
- Create a neighborhood disaster plan
- Identify neighbors that may have special needs or may require special attention following disasters
- Let us help you with programs like Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) and Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT)



Following a disaster your neighbors are your best resources. They may have special skills, tools, or even disaster supplies to help the neighborhood survive until help can arrive.

KCDEM offers many programs and classes to help you and your neighbors become organized and prepared.

The Kitsap County Department of Emergency Management has a new CERT class starting on February 18, 2016 and it is open to any member of our community who wants to become better prepared to help their neighborhood and first responders following a disaster. To become CERT certified, you must be able to attend all classes in the program. For more information, visit our website at www.kitsapdem.org