



Oak Bay Emergency Program

1703 Monterey Avenue, Victoria, British Columbia, V8R 5V6

The Corporation of the District of Oak Bay

www.oakbayemergency.com

Building a Disaster Resilient Community
"Neighbours Helping Neighbours"

Newsletter

Fall 2008

Message from Dave Cockle, Deputy Emergency Coordinator

I hope everyone has had a great summer! Although the summer has thankfully been void of local emergencies, the Oak Bay Emergency Program team have been busy attending Block Watch and Neighbourhood meetings as well as planning for volunteer training, exercises and our emergency preparedness education and public information sessions. All available training and education sessions are **free** and open to all Oak Bay residents and those who work within the District of Oak Bay. We also extend an invitation to other emergency teams to attend any of our Public Information Sessions, usually scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month, where we invite guest speakers to share their knowledge and experiences with us.

Please take note of the Fall Emergency Preparedness Workshops being offered. These workshops will provide you with skills and information to help you and your family be self-sufficient for a minimum of 7 days in the event of an emergency or major disaster. Being personally prepared is the first step in building a disaster resilient community.

Please check the website or contact the Emergency Program for more information or volunteer opportunities.

Emergency Preparedness Begins with YOU!

Workshops

These 2-hour workshops are **free** but please pre-register at coordinator@oakbayemergency.com or 250-592-9121 (Fire Hall)

Monday, September 15th

Windsor Park Pavilion
2451 Windsor

Monday, October 20th

Saint Philip's Church
2928 Eastdowne Rd

Wednesday, November 19th

Willows School
2290 Musgrave St

Time: 6:45(Sign-in)– 9:00 pm

FALL Schedule

September - December 2008

Emergency Preparedness Workshops

Disaster First Aid

Wednesdays

November 5th & 12th, 2008 (2 part course)

Time: 6pm-9pm,

Location: Windsor Park Pavilion
(Windsor at Transit)

Learn to how to Triage & apply First Aid. Wear comfortable clothes, Bring a blanket.

Instructor: St. John Ambulance

Free! Please pre-register at 250-592-9121 (Fire Hall) or coordinator@oakbayemergency.com

Fire Extinguishment Training

Saturday

October 4th OR

November 29th

Time: 10am-Noon,

Location: Oak Bay Fire Hall,
1703 Monterey Avenue

Learn about how to properly use a Fire Extinguisher.

Instructors: Oak Bay Fire Department

These workshops are **free** but please pre-register at 250-592-9121 (Fire Hall) or coordinator@oakbayemergency.com

Fall Public Information Sessions

What: The Oak Bay Emergency Program (OBEP) hosts monthly Public Information Sessions

When: Usually the 2nd Tuesday (except for July & August)

7:00pm **(New Time!)**

Where: Windsor Park Pavilion, 2451 Windsor

September 9th, 2008, 7:00 pm

Leadership & Levees: Lessons from New Orleans

Guest Speakers: Kirsten Brown, Bev Stenning & Sonja Ruthe

Kirsten, Bev and Sonja went to New Orleans in June as part of an international Learning Inquiry workshop that explored the strengths and resilience as well as the challenges of recovery - 3 years post Katrina. They met with local leaders in their communities to learn about what they were doing to enhance New Orleans recovery and how community change efforts succeed best after a disaster.

October 14th, 2008, 7:00 pm

Terasen Gas: What you need to Know to Stay Safe

Guest Speakers: Jason Eardley & Glen Hamilton

Many people believe you just automatically shut off your gas supply after an earthquake. This is not true. If you turn your gas off needlessly, you could find yourself without heat, hot water or cooking facilities for a long time. Learn when and how to turn off your gas or propane supply and what to do or not do to keep safe.

November 18th, 2008, 7:00 pm

Businesses who fail to plan, plan to fail...

Is your business ready?

Guest Speaker: Lisa Benini is a Certified Business Continuity Professional who has been assisting businesses and government agencies for the past 17 years with their business continuity planning efforts.

Learn how you can be prepared to protect your business and continue to operate when a crisis or disaster occurs.



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Saint Philips Church
Oak Bay United Church
Emmanuel Baptist Church
St. Mary's Church

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