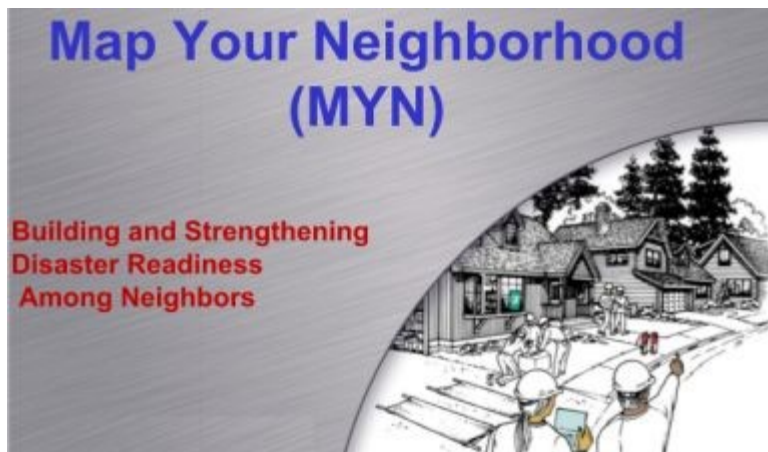


Map Your Neighborhood – A Neighborhood Emergency Preparedness Program



In a disaster, the neighbors living around you are your most immediate source of help. Traditional 9-1-1 responders (police, fire, medical and utility) are quickly overwhelmed by demand. Knowing what to do could save a life, reduce the severity of injuries, and reduce the amount of damage that you, your family and neighbors sustain.

The goal of MYN is to prepare neighborhoods to be self-reliant during the first hours of an emergency. Using the MYN program you will:

Learn nine steps to take immediately in a disaster.

Get to know your neighbors - identify:

- Special needs
- Skills
- Equipment
- Utilities shutoffs

Pick location(s) for neighbors to gather.

Formulate an emergency response plan for your neighborhood.

Learn about resources in your community.

The Bell Hill Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) will be working closely with MYN groups to identify where help is needed. The effectiveness of CERT is greatly increased by MYN groups. Bell Hill CERT, Clallam County Fire District 3 (CCFD3) and Clallam County Sheriff Division of Emergency Management (CCEM) have people specializing in helping neighborhoods organize with the MYN plan. Contact information is at the end of this article and on the web at <http://www.certbellhill.org/contact/>.

Participating in a neighborhood emergency preparedness program increases camaraderie and neighborhood spirit. A closer knit neighborhood will also help you respond better to other issues than major emergencies such as crime, accidents and medical issues.

Start your MYN program

1. Contact Bell Hill CERT or Clallam County Fire District for information and support
2. Talk with your neighbors about MYN to inspire interest and encourage an initial meeting
3. Select an MYN presenter/trainer (from CERT or CCFD3 or CCEM)
4. Set a date and location for your first meeting and invite neighbors

Contact Information

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