



Grays Harbor County Citizen Corps
 October 8, 2008
 Emergency Management Office
 310 W Spruce Street, Montesano

Chair: Greg Osgood

Co Chair: Sherryl Jackson

Secretary: Joy Carossino

Present:

Greg Osgood	Elma School District	Larry Bishop	Citizen
Verna MacDonald	Westport Senior House	Nora LeBlanc	GH Public Health
Monica Simpson	GH Community Hospital	Kathleen Bounds	O3A
Tony Simone	Grays Harbor College	Brian Hughes	Anchor Bank
Stephanie Allestad	GHFD #8	Debbie Cool	Disaster Outreach Svcs
Jeanette Anderson	Disaster Outreach Svcs	Kyla Houchens	GHPAC FB Dist Cntr
Lin Butler	S.I.G.H.T.	Jodie Jones	Salvation Army
Ken Walkington	MFD	Sheila Richardson	Salvation Army
Anne Sullivan	GHC Em Management	Joy Carossino	GHC Em Management

The September 10th minutes were approved as written.

Review of Public Outreach Calendar:

Stephanie Allestad reported that on October 15th there will be a potluck at the Community Center in Pacific Beach at 6:00 with a Community Emergency Preparedness meeting following at 7:00. Everyone is welcome.

CERT:

Anne asked Westport, Pacific Beach, and the College CERTs to send a member list to DEM.

North River CERT

No report for October.

Ocean Shores CERT

No report for October.

Westport Senior House

Verna MacDonald reported on the 22 workers from Ocean Cold who were sent to the hospital due to Carbon Monoxide poisoning. The Westport Fire Department had 18 volunteers and the Grays Harbor Transit assisted in transporting to the hospital. Everyone did a good job in assisting with this event.

Grays Harbor College CERT

Tony Simone reported that the members will be meeting quarterly. The college is looking into purchasing generators.

Pacific Beach CERT

Stephanie Allestad reported that the radio antenna by the food bank has a 10 mile radius. They will be talking to individuals on the 15th about CERT training.

Health Reserve Corps

Nora LeBlanc reported that the Health Reserve Corps has had its first orientation. There were 10 regular nurses, 12 people total. They have 42 outstanding applications. They will be working with the Chief of Staff of the hospital, scheduling a first aid course. This will be an 8 hour course. Public Health & Social Services will be the lead on ESF #6 Mass Care, Housing and Human Services planning. There will be community wide meetings, including East County, Aberdeen, and Hoquiam. The objective is to accomplish a larger conversation about mass care needs. In January 2009,

Nora will be forming a task force and holding four meetings to develop the plan. The first meetings will be December 8th & 11th from 1:30-4:30. A suggestion was made to hold the meetings at the New Emanuel Baptist Church.

Partner Updates:

Disaster Outreach Services

A Storm Recovery Resource Fair will be held on November 22 at the Log Pavilion in Aberdeen. The purpose of this Fair is to celebrate the anniversary date of the storm, to honor the 1st Responders, and to bring people together who still have damage to their homes or unmet needs. The participants will be Disaster Outreach, CCAP, LTRO, Neighbor Works and Salvation Army. There will be tables set up with representatives from these organizations to answer questions. The Disaster Outreach program will be completed on December 31st.

211

211 received press releases during the storm regarding services available to the community but might not have been utilized as much as they should have.

American Red Cross

No report for October.

Salvation Army

Jodie Jones gave a presentation to the group on Salvation Army's accomplishments through the LTRO since the December storm. They placed a case manager in LTRO and provided case management for 80 cases. A copy of this report will be provided to the County at the next meeting. While at the the LTRO :

- 13 homes were repaired
- Some deductibles by seniors were paid
- Trees were removed by TSA-FEMA did not do trees

Some information that is available on disaster is as follows:

- 55 family units were relocated
- 36 roofs repaired
- CCAP claimants needed a FEMA denial letter in order to qualify
- 750 Disaster and Preparedness kits were distributed
- The food bank was open daily from Dec 4-21 and food and water were distributed
- 200 wall plug in phones were distributed
- Distribution took place at the fairgrounds of donated goods
- Generators were loaned
- Home visits were made.

Additional information will be provided to the County at the next meeting, a full report of activities TSA has accomplished since the storm.

GHC/PC Food Distribution Warehouse

A new freezer project with propane generator backup has begun for \$90,000. They are working on hiring 2 permanent people at the center. Emanuel Baptist Church has offered the use of their kitchen as a resource for mass feeding. There are 12-14 members who are interested in CERT. They would like to schedule a MYN for the Hoquiam area. Food distribution was up 17% last quarter and is up 29% for this quarter over last year.

Discussion

The ICS-300 training provided by Ken Walkington and Nora LeBlanc was successful, with good feedback.

64% of GH Community Hospital staff have completed the IS-800 training. In November they will hold an Influx of Infection drill. They are working on a Tsunami drill. On Nov 26th they will hold a decon training with 10 people, 38

staff. By the end of December 700 staff will be trained in Safety, Security, Emergency Preparedness, etc. It is an online training, with the 27-29th of November being hands on. The hospital is planning on having a drill in November based off of last December's windstorm as well as overwhelming the hospital with an influx of infectious patients. On October 26th the hospital held Decontamination (Decon) training. Ten new members have been added to the decon team for a total of 38 who are trained in the hospital decontamination tent that was received from HRSA funding.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05

Next Meeting November 12 at 9:00 am.