Introduction to the Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC)

“Neighbors Helping Neighbors”
EPC’s Mission

To preserve life and property during a disaster and to support Villagers’ health and safety during the emergency period following.

- Earthquakes
- Fires
- Extreme weather
- Other disasters
EPC Tasks in a Disaster

• Account for each resident and employee
• Provide emergency first aid to those in need
• Manage the emergency within the Villages
  – Direct the use of Villages resources
  – Support continuing health and safety needs
• Report to Management and San Jose Emergency Operations Center
  – Call for help from city agencies as needed
EPC Organization

EPC Chair

EPC Co-Chairs

Specialist Teams

Neighborhood Teams
Specialist Teams

- Medical
- Emotional Support
- Radio Communications
- Engineering
- Security
- Emergency Food
- Emergency Shelter
Neighborhood Teams

- Villages divided into 25 EPC sectors
- Each sector has 2 or 3 Sector Chiefs
- Each sector divided into several areas of 10 to 14 residences
- Each area has 2 Area Representatives
EPC Sector Map
EPC Sector Aid Station Equipment
EPC Ongoing Education

• **Disaster Response Classes**
  Held last Monday in June, and Mondays in July.

• **First Aid & CPR/AED Classes**
  Usually Held in March and September

• **Annual Drill**
  Usually Held 3rd or 4th Monday in October
  All Residents Participate.
  EPC Volunteers practice what they learn.
Disaster Response Classes
First Aid & CPR/AED Classes
Annual Drill
EPC Needs Volunteers!

- EPC is entirely made up Volunteer Villages Residents.
- In a Disaster, We may only have ourselves to depend on until services are restored. This could be up several days in the case of a serious earthquake!
- Neighbors helping Neighbors
EPC – Who do I Contact?

• For Information, Questions, or To Volunteer:
  – Use **EPC Sector Map** to determine in what Sector you are living.
  – Use **EPC Sector Chief** listing to get the names of the Sector Chiefs in your Sector.
  – Call them using the Villages Telephone Directory.
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Be Prepared!