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THE MOST GOOD
FOR
THE MOST PEOPLE

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Training Program

Home
Emergency
Assistance
Team

Sponsored through a partnership between

Santa Clara City Officials,
Fire Department Staff &
Firefighters' Local Union #1171

for the
Citizens of the City of Santa Clara

GOAL OF THE PROGRAM

The Home Emergency Assistance Team (H.E.A.T.) Training Program is designed to help the citizens of Santa Clara be self-sufficient after a major disaster by developing multi-functional teams that are cross-trained in basic emergency skills.

After completing this program, you will be able to function as a member of a team or as a leader of on-site volunteers.

PROGRAM HISTORY

As we all know, the Loma Prieta earthquake was not the "Big One" that was predicted. It was a wake-up call — a warning to get prepared. That night, thousands of people throughout the Bay Area volunteered to help. These spontaneous volunteers had little or no knowledge of disaster skills.

In 1995, in order to leverage this volunteer enthusiasm, the Santa Clara Fire Department and Santa Clara Firefighters' Local #1171 began a training program in basic disaster skills for our community.

Each participant receives a student manual, safety helmet and vest, and a graduation certificate. There is a nominal fee which covers the cost of materials received and those consumed in the training. Santa Clara Firefighters and H.E.A.T. trained volunteers facilitate the training.

Home Emergency Assistance Team

DO THE MOST GOOD FOR THE MOST PEOPLE

Both the Loma Prieta and Northridge earthquakes have demonstrated the importance of civilian volunteers during a disaster.

Spontaneous volunteers are always first on the scene to conduct initial search, rescue and first aid. Santa Clara H.E.A.T. trained personnel will communicate effectively and participate in disaster response efforts.

ARE YOU READY?

Sixty-three people lost their lives in the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake and the devastation was felt throughout the Bay Area.

But this was not the "BIG ONE"

The U.S. Geological Survey predicts there is a 67% chance that the Bay Area will be struck by a major earthquake within the next 30 years. When the BIG ONE hits, emergency services will be overwhelmed by the number of calls. It may be up to 72 hours before help can arrive.

BE PREPARED...

The H.E.A.T. Training Program offers training in disaster preparedness and team response. You will learn basic skills that are most commonly used in disasters.

CAN YOU SURVIVE?

The answer is YES you can — if you are prepared. The key to surviving the aftermath of any disaster is planning ahead of time.

WHO CAN BE PART OF H.E.A.T.?

- Neighborhood groups and associations
- Church groups
- Community organizations
- City employee groups and departments
- Business groups
- Individuals who live or work in Santa Clara

WHO CAN I CALL?

Santa Clara H.E.A.T. Program information can be acquired through the Fire Dept. website at:

fire.santaclaraca.gov

or the Santa Clara Fire Department Training Division: (408) 615-4940

CLASS OUTLINE

The Santa Clara H.E.A.T. Training Program consists of four training classes and is taught by professional firefighters in the neighborhood or workplace.

Class #1

- Earthquake awareness
- Personal, family and workplace preparation
- Non-structural hazard mitigation
- Emergency assistance team concept
- Terrorism and H.E.A.T.

Class #2

- Utility control - when and how to shut it off
- Hazardous materials
- Fire extinguishers
- Disaster firefighting

Class #3

- Disaster medicine
- Triage - how to decide who to treat and when
- Care of minor injuries
- Burns

Class #4

- Building damage recognition
- Light search and rescue techniques
- Lifting heavy objects
- Leadership structure
- Team response and management
- Disaster psychology
- Table top disaster exercise
- Hands-on disaster exercise

Yes! I would like to Participate in H.E.A.T. Training...

(Please check one)

☐ I belong to a neighborhood church, community organization or association and would like to organize and arrange training for my group.

☐ I would like to participate with an existing H.E.A.T. group and would like to take the training. H.E.A.T. group:_____

☐ I would like to organize a group (church, neighborhood, association or community organization) for participation in the training program.

☐ I do not belong to a specific organization but would be interested in participating in the training program.

☐ I am employed by a business in Santa Clara or City department and would like to organize and arrange training for my group.

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Name

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Group Name

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Street Address

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City / State / Zip

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Area Code / Day Phone

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