

San Francisco Neighborhood Emergency Response Team

NERTNews



Happy Holidays from Chief Joanne Hayes-White

The Holiday Season is a time for giving, for extending ourselves, for helping those less fortunate. For you, the volunteers of NERT, giving, extending and helping are nothing new. You do it all the time and I commend you for it.

Next month, I will celebrate my second year as the Chief of the San Francisco Fire Department. I remain as honored, and as humbled, by those I lead as I was on the day Mayor Newsom appointed me. However, mine is not the only appointment anniversary to be celebrated. Our NERT coordinator, Lieutenant Erica Arteseros, is also approaching her two-year anniversary. My heartiest congratulations to her, and to all of you for your unwavering commitment to the NERT Program.

President John Kennedy, while meeting with some of his advisors, told them that when written in Chinese, the word crisis is composed of two characters. One represents danger and the other represents opportunity.

By volunteering for the Neighborhood Emergency Response Teams, you have shown that you

are ready and willing to face the possibility of danger and to accept the opportunity to help others in their time of need.

Don't ever forget, as I never will, that you are the true first responders. You live in the community, you move among the residents, you are familiar with your surroundings and you can tell when something is amiss.

To me, to my Firefighters and Paramedics and to the San Francisco Fire Department, your assistance, your energy and your willingness are valuable beyond words. I am not wearing a hat right now, but if I were, it would be off to each and every one of you.

I salute you and I thank you. Mayor Newsom thanks you. And every person whom you have ever helped - and those who you will help someday in the future - thank you.

Let me leave you with this thought; when the public is in need, it calls on the Fire Department. When the Fire Department is in need, it calls on NERT.

All the best in 2006! Stay trained. Stay safe.

Chief Joanne Hayes-White

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Welcome and Thank You

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To see what neighborhoods they are serving, go to the team directory on pages 6 & 7.

Welcome New NERT Leaders!

Not only have more than 200 NERTs graduated in our last classes, but twenty enthusiastic, energetic, and dedicated people have stepped forward to be team coordinators and neighborhood leaders (see box on this page)! Welcome!

NERT has been fortunate that so many people have volunteered over the past 15 years to develop their neighborhood teams, encourage preparedness, and advance and improve their own skills. Thank you to those who forged the way - and thank you to those following in their footsteps!

What you do as a team leader is limited only by your own imagination - and of course time and energy! But no one is on their own - there are team members, other team coordinators, the Advisory Board, and our inimitable Lt. Erica Arteseros.

Our new leaders are encouraged to attend "NERT College", Saturday January 7. In short sessions, team coordinators like them will discuss basic "NERT-ing" - organizing a team, leading table-top drills, putting skill practices together, and much more! Anyone interested in leading a team - how ever large or small - and anyone interested in developing more NERT skills is invited.

We have seen that we will all be leaders after a disaster. Only a small percentage of San Francisco residents are NERT-trained, and those who aren't will be looking to us for help and direction. Be Ready!

NERT College, January 7, 8:45-3:00, SFFD Division of Training, Folsom & 19th



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**Next
 Deadline
 February 3**

1906 Anniversary and NERT

It's early morning, not even light yet. Suddenly, everything starts shaking - and keeps shaking. Roads shift, chimneys fall, buildings crumble. It's like nothing that has ever happened to you before and beyond what you ever imagined! What do you do? What did **they** do?

A lot has changed since 1906 - transportation, medicine, communication. And there are so many more people, buildings, freeways and bridges! One important difference: NERT!

One way NERT will commemorate the 1906 quake is with practice, practice, practice! There will be drills every month from April through October - not that unusual for NERT. But **these** will occur in different locations around the City. And in addition to the usual skills practice, we hope to look at what happened in 1906 and how it is different in 2006. Such a comparison should give us new insights into the risks, hazards, resources, and advantages for surviving The Big One. There is a preliminary plan (table below) but we need help from NERT team leaders and members to choose the neighborhoods, the skills to practice, and research the neighborhood then and now. Come to the NERT Leaders Meeting on January 18 (6:30 pm at SFFD Division of Training, 2310 Folsom St./19th St.) and be part of the planning.

The 1906 Committee has ideas for other anniversary projects - the most important one is for NERT to be visible throughout the year. This is a once-in-a-century opportunity to put NERT in a spotlight! We'd like to have NERT present at every street fair, parade, civic celebration, and Bay Area event! And for that we need lots of volunteers. Another project needing volunteers is a comparison of earthquake kits - what citizens would have had in 1906 and what we have now.

NERTs have our first two opportunities early. January 21 will be a busy day with the Preparedness Fair in Visitacion Valley sponsored by Assemblyman Leland Yee and the Giants Winter FanFest. More information about these events is on page 4 and the NERT website (www.sfgov.org/sffdnert). See you **January 18th**, or contact Barbara Underberg or David Hirtz if you are interested in working on our 1906 events.

When	Where
April 18 Tues 4:45A	Lotta's Fountain - Honor the 1906 survivors; and a cribbing demonstration?
April 22 Sat a.m.	Citywide drill - location to be determined; start the year with a practice of search, rescue and triage skills, get acquainted with other NERTs.
May 20 Sat a.m.	City Hall? North of Market? Western Addition? Will our city government need to relocate?
June 23 Fri evening	Downtown – Justin Herman Plaza? Trade Center? Imagine the consequences of an 8.0 + earthquake downtown on a Friday evening!
July 23 Sun noon	Bayview There were few residents here in 1906. How will we manage and help each other now?
August 19 Sat a.m.	Sunset? Merced? Zoo? Many changes here too since 1906 - what will we do?
September 9 Sat a.m.	Multiple staging areas: Balboa, Miraloma, St Francis Wood, West Portal? Put it to the test—can we cope with multiple locations in need.
October 14 Sat a.m.	Marina - Remembering Loma Prieta and NERT's beginnings. See how we've improved since April.

See "1906 Special" on page 5 for an opportunity to work on film project about the 1906 fire and the state of preparedness today.

NERT 2006 Calendar

January

- 7 NERT Leadership (Coordinators) College, Sat, 8:45am, FD-DOT
- 11 55+ Outreach Orientation (**new** people only), 5:30pm, FD-DOT
- 11 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 18 NERT Leaders Meeting, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 21 55+ Outreach Orientation (**new** people only), Sat 9:00am, FD-DOT
- 23 Incident Command System (ICS), Capt Conners, Mon 6:30 pm, FD-DOT

February

- 4 Ham Cram, Sat, 8:30 am, SF County Fair Building (Golden Gate Park)
- 11 Ham Communications Training, Sat 9 am, FD-DOT
- 15 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 25 Drill - Staging Area Operations, Sat 9 am, FD-DOT

March

- 15 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 22 NERT Leaders Meeting, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT

April

- 18 Lotta's Fountain & 1906 Anniversary Kick Off, Tues 4:45am
- 19 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 22 Drill - Citywide Exercise, Sat 8:30 am, TBD

May

- 17 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 20 Drill – 1906 Anniversary and Advanced Skills, Sat morning

June

- 7 NERT Leaders Meeting, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 21 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 23 Drill – 1906 Anniversary and Advanced Skills, Fri evening

July

- 19 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 23 Drill – 1906 Anniversary and Advanced Skills, Sun noon

August

- 16 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 19 Drill – 1906 Anniversary and Advanced Skills, Sat morning
- 23 NERT Leaders Meeting, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT

September

- 9 Drill – 1906 Anniversary and Advanced Skills, Sat morning
- 20 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 27 Advisory Board Calendar Setting Meeting

October

- 14 Citywide Drill and 1906 Anniversary Drill, Sat 8:30 am
- 18 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- 25 NERT Leaders Meeting, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT

November

- 15 Advisory Board, Wed 6:30 pm, FD-DOT
- TBD Year End Celebration



Calendar Notes

Drills/Advanced Training

2006 drills will focus on skills and on what happened around the City on and after April 18, 1906.

For more information see article on page 2.

Ham Crams

are held quarterly. **Next is Feb 4.** Check the NERT web site or contact Dave Gomberg at dave1@wcf.com or SF Ares [Exam](#).

Ham Communications Training

is scheduled 2-4 weeks after a ham cram. **Next is Feb 11.** Contact Bob Jacklevich at jacklevich@yahoo.com.

Advisory Board Meetings

are held monthly. Contact information for Board members is on page 2.

Leaders Meetings

(formerly Coordinator Meetings) - an opportunity for NERTs -team members and leaders - around the City to meet, learn, and socialize—held at the SFFD Dept of Training. All are welcome.

55+ Outreach

Special program for those 55 and over to raise emergency preparedness awareness and promote NERT. "Kick-off" meetings are scheduled for 1/11, 5:30pm and 1/21, 9am at Fire DOT and as people volunteer. Check the NERT web site.

Class Schedule/Class 6

Schedule is on page 8. Victims are always needed for Class 6. You can also renew your NERT ID and Disaster Service Worker paperwork at that time. These are crucial for your coverage in a disaster response. RSVP to sffdntert@sfgov.org before attending.

Web Site:

Opportunity Knocking: Learn, Play, Help!

NERT Leadership Training

Designed by and for NERT neighborhood coordinators and team leaders, "NERT College" looks at non-emergency skills such as organizing team events, leading meetings, doing tabletop drills and skill practices!

Saturday January 7, 2006
 San Francisco Fire Department
 Division of Training
 19th Street/Folsom
8:45am-3pm

Join us if you are a new coordinator or if you are interested in taking a more active role in your neighborhood team.

55+ Outreach Program

WANTED! NERT trainees and current NERTs 55 and older! To participate in a program of preparedness and outreach as part of a Federal grant from the Corporation for National & Community Service.

Contact the NERT training office at **415-970-2022** or email sffdnext@sfgov.org to join and help bring NERT to all San Francisco residents!

Emergency Preparedness Fair

Hosted by Assemblyman Leland Y. Yee

Saturday, January 21, 2006
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 Visitacion Valley Middle School
 450 Raymond Avenue

Enter parking lot from Visitacion Ave along McLaren Park

We need volunteers to staff our booth, talk to people, and maybe demonstrate skills! Volunteer by emailing the NERT office, sffdnext@sfgov.org; put "Preparedness Fair" in the subject line. Or call 415-970-2022.

HAM CRAM: Earn Your License in One Day!

Saturday, February 4, 2006, 8:45-3:00

- ✓ SF County Fair Building, Hall of Flowers Rec Room
- ✓ 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way
- ✓ Ample free parking, great restaurants nearby

No need for advance preparation - our method does it in **6 hours**. Drop-ins OK. Self-study starts 9:00. **Exams at 11, 2 & 3**. General exam class at 9:15.

Bring

- ✓ 2 IDs—one must be a picture ID
- ✓ a pencil
- ✓ \$20 in cash for study materials and test
- ✓ OR \$14 for test only

Passing this test will get you a ham radio license from the FCC good for 10 years. Come and join the great world-wide community of ham radio. Next test April 1. For latest info go to: wcf.com/sfares/exams.

Questions?

Contact Dave at 415-731-7793 or dave1@wcf.com.

Giants Winter FanFest

Saturday, January 21, 2006
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Pier 48, McCovey Cove, San Francisco
 FREE admission and FREE parking in the Giants Lot

- ◆ 100th Anniversary Observance of 1906 Earthquake
- ◆ Preparedness information from 72hours.org and SFFD Neighborhood Emergency Response Team

We need volunteers to staff our booth, talk to people, and maybe demonstrate skills! Volunteer by emailing the NERT office, sffdnext@sfgov.org; put "FanFest" in the subject line. Or call 415-970-2022.

NERT Ham Communications Training

You got your license—or just passed the ham cram test on February 4 - and now what?

Learn the principles of ham operation, rules for ham communication, and how to of emergency messaging at this one day training led by Bob Jacklevich.

Saturday February 11, 2006
San Francisco Fire Department
Division of Training
19th Street/Folsom
8:45am-3:00pm

We'd like to know you're coming - please contact the NERT office or Bob Jacklevich at jacklevich@yahoo.com.

1906 Special: Cartography of Ashes

San Francisco artist Dolissa Medina is looking for volunteers to help with "Cartography of Ashes," an outdoor film event commemorating the 100th anniversary of the 1906 SF Earthquake and Fire. Medina is collaborating with the SFFD to produce the film, a poetic documentary about the legacy of the conflagration and the state of disaster preparedness today. "Cartography" will premiere next April as a free outdoor film screening projected onto the SFFD Drill Tower on 19th and Folsom Streets.

Volunteers can help in the following ways: 1) spread the word to SF firefighters who may be interested in being interviewed for the film; 2) volunteer skills such as research, publicity, videography, photography, and web design; 3) volunteer the night of the screening and 4) make a tax-deductible donation as either an individual or become a business sponsor of the event. For more information, call 415/621-4054, email info@ashes06.org or visit www.ashes06.org.

NERT's are Disaster Service Worker Volunteers. Are you current??

A disaster service worker (DSW) volunteer is "...any person registered with an accredited Disaster Council...for the purpose of engaging in disaster service...without pay or other consideration." If you took NERT training prior to March 2004, it's time to renew DSW paperwork to enroll you in the California Office of Emergency Services Disaster Service Worker Volunteer Program. This provides worker's compensation insurance when you respond in a disaster and act **within the scope of your NERT training**. Renew your training by completing the last session, Class 6, where hands on skills are used; see p. 8 and look for the sixth date. Attend class 6 at any location. **YOU MUST RSVP** ahead the date that you plan to attend to verify your status and add your name to the list for the on site instructors.

TEAM NEWS

INGLESIDE NERT IS UP AND RUNNING

Ingleside NERT held its first organizational meeting in November 2005, and now meets every month. All San Francisco NERT members living in the Ingleside District (Ocean to Lakeview and Ashton to I-280) are invited to join. NERTs in adjacent neighborhoods are also welcome to join the Ingleside team. The team is coordinated by Jeanne Hughes and Edie Schaffer. We look forward to working with team members, neighbors, and SF NERT to help make the Ingleside and the city safer in an emergency. For meeting information or other assistance, Please contact us: Jeanne Hughes at 585-7673/ jmh1234@sbcglobal.net or Edie Schaffer at 337-9735/edie_schaffer@yahoo.com.

NOE NERT

The Noe Valley Harvest Fest booth was a rousing success! We handed out 500+ class schedule flyers, signed up two and a half pages of people for classes -- we rocked! Special shout-outs to all who booth-sat: the two Steves, Ellen, Norm, Susan, Suzanne, Erik, Manny, Guido, and a special shout-out to Sophie who was there **all day!** And, as always, Lt. Erica Arteseros who came through big for us. Maxine Fasulis

POTRERO HILL

NERT training starts on the Hill on Saturday January 28 at St. Teresa of Avila church hall (19th & Connecticut), continuing the next 2 Saturdays. We will need victim volunteers on February 11 at 1:00. And then we'll meet to reorganize-reunite-reenergize on Saturday, February 18 at 10:00 a.m. We'll decide when / how often / where to meet so we can practice skills, learn more, and get ready for the Big One. Lynn & Bob Jacklevich

Contact your neighborhood coordinator (pp 6-7) to find out what's happening in your neighborhood. No one listed? How about YOU?

NERT Advisory Board is looking for additional members. Are you looking for something to do with your vast spare time?

Contact any member of the Advisory Board (p. 2) to discuss qualifications, Board activities, and time commitments. If you're not ready for a Board commitment, but want to be more involved, ask about participating on one of the standing committees.



Riding the [Air] Waves

You can contact NERT hams through Bob Jacklevich, 415-282-4195 or KF6PFV on local repeaters. NERT Ham Communications Team (HCT) can listen and learn from the Auxiliary Communications Service. ACS holds two 'nets' weekly.

"Siren Net", every Tuesday at noon, is your chance to call in and report on the operation of sirens located throughout the City. Call in on the W6TP repeater: 443.100+ pl 114.8 or 146.79- pl 114.8.

"ACS Net" for ACS members is Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. on WA6GG repeater, 442.050+ pl 127.3. All are welcome! ACS Operations phone 415-558-2717.

San Francisco's geography makes it necessary to use different repeaters. Hams on the north and west sides of the City should use 145.150; on the east and south sides, use 146.79- or 443.100 pl 114.8. Red Cross Mass Care Shelter simplex frequency is 147.420; monitor 145.15+ and 146.79-.

The San Francisco Amateur Radio Club is another resource for Hams. Call 415-563-2111 or check the web site, www.sfarc.org or phone 415-245-1114. The SFARC radio net is Mondays at 8 p.m. on the W6PW

NERT Neighborhood Team Directory

This directory is for the private use of NERT members only. Any other use is strictly prohibited. Teams are listed with coordinator, contact information, and staging area. If your neighborhood has no team coordinator in , call the NERT office to find out more!

Balboa Terr./Mt Davidson Manor, ERD 9
 Susan Yip
 Sdyip@juno.com or 469-7559
 Aptos Middle School Field, Aptos@Ocean

Bayview/Hunters Point, ERD 10
 Sister Diane Poole, 822-8437
 M.L.King, Jr. Pool, 3rd@Carroll

 Jon Colias, 671-0203
 jcolias@yahoo.com
 Mendell Plaza (Mendell/Oakdale)

Jacqueline Bishop, 508-0153 or
 jacquelinbishop@yahoo.com
 Bret Harte School

Bernal Heights, ERD 6
 Barbara Underberg, 648-6220
 Precita Park, Precita@Folsom

Castro, ERD 6
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Collingwood Rec Center

Cayuga, ERD 9
 Barbara Fugate,
 mousecollector@msn.com
 c/o Cayuga Improvement Assoc.
 Staging area to be determined

Chinatown, ERD 1
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Portsmouth Square

Civic Center, ERD 2
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Site to be determined

Diamond Heights, ERD 6
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Christopher Recreation Area

Duboce Triangle, ERD 5
 Rochelle McCune, 861-5758
 Duboce Park, Duboce@Steiner

Excelsior, ERD 9
 Darrell Bross, 469-9785
 dbross2@rcn.com
 Crocker Amazon Park, Moscow@ France

Glen Park, ERD 9
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Glen Park Rec Center

Haight/Ashbury, ERD 5
 Stephanie Taylor, findslt@yahoo.com
 Panhandle, Masonic@Oak

Hayes Valley, ERD 5
 Jamie Lopez, webmaster@askv.org
 Amanda Kelso/David Marks
 864-4780, dmarks@sonic.net
 Staging Area TBD

Ingleside, ERD 9
 Edie Schaffer, 337-9735,
 edie_schaffer@yahoo.com
 Jeanne Hughes, 585-7673,
 jmh1234@sbcglobal.net
 Holloway between Faxon and Capitol

Ingleside Terrace, ERD 9
 Barney Johnson, 584-5223
 Junipero Serra Blvd.@Mercedes

Inner Richmond, ERD 7
 Vincent Louie, 387-4477
 Mt. Lake Park, Lake@9th Ave.

Inner Sunset, ERD 7
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Golden Gate Park, 7th Ave@Lincoln

Laguna Honda, ERD 8
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Triangle Park,
 Laguna Honda/Balceta

Lakeside, ERD 9
 Gene Agatstein agat@ix.netcom.com
 Serra Playground, Stonecrest Drive

Laurel Heights, ERD 4
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Laurel Hill Playground, Euclid/Collins

Lone Mountain/University Terrace, ERD 7
 Tom Hicks, 309-2098
 tomhicks@headwatersinstitute.org

Marina, ERD 4
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Moscone Playground, Chestnut/Buchanan

Midtown Terrace, ERD 8
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Playgrnd Olympia@Clarendon

Mission, ERD 6
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Cesar Chavez School

Mission Dolores, ERD 6
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 Glenn Pape, 408-390-6814 or
 glenn_pape@hotmail.com
 Dolores Park stairs, 19th/Dolores

Mt. Davidson/Miraloma, ERD 9
 Gary Isaacson, 585-9729
 Phil Laird, 469-0876
 Jed Lane, 338-0201
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 Miraloma School, Omar@Sequoia

Nob Hill, ERD 1
 Buck Bradberry, buck.bradberry@msn.com
 Ritan Hurtado, 776-2742
 Huntington Square Park,
 California@Taylor

Noe Valley, ERD 6
 Maxine Fasulis, 641-5536
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 James Lick School, Noe@Clipper

North Beach, ERD 1
 Ted Nelson, 956-7282
 North Beach Playground,
 Powell@Lombard

North of Market, ERD 2
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Boeddeker Park, Jones/Eddy

North of Panhandle, ERD 5
 Tys Sniffen, tyss@ideamountain.com
 Panhandle, Oak@Masonic

Outer Richmond, ERD 7
 David Hirtz, 387-4244
 Washington High School, 31st@Geary

Pacific Heights, ERD 4
 Katherine Florio, kcflorio@hotmail.com
 Lafayette Park, Gough/Sacramento

Park Merced East, ERD 9
 Call 970-2022 to volunteer
 Parking Lot, 640 Palmetto

Parkview, ERD 5

Edward (Eddie) Cooke, 415-533-8833 - cell, text; escooke2@gmail.com
Kezar Triangle, Lincoln@Arguello

Potrero Hill, ERD 10

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Presidio Heights, ERD 4

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Presidio Heights Playground,
Clay@Laurel

Russian Hill, ERD 1

Donald & Betti Miner, 554-3050
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Helen Willis Playground

Laurie Zaback
Galileo Academy

SOMA, Sixth Street Corridor, ERD 3

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Staging area TBD

St Francis Woods, ERD 9

Herb & Marnie Gerlach, 664-5215
Terrace Green, Santa Clara@Terrace

South of Market, ERD 3

Brian Dicrocco,
brian_dicrocco@yahoo.com
Moscone - Yerba Buena Gardens

Sunnyside, ERD 9

Robert and Bonnie White, 452-0253
robonwhite@aol.com
Sunnyside Recreation Center

Sunset/Parkside, ERD 8

Diane Rivera, 753-1443
dianariver@aol.com
John O'Connell Library, 39th@Ortega

Telegraph Hill, ERD 1

Call 970-2022 to volunteer
N. Beach Playgrnd, Powell@ Lombard

Treasure Island, ERD 13

Call 970-2022 to volunteer
School Playground near Station 48

Visitacion Valley, ERD 9

Call 970-2022 to volunteer
Community Center, 50 Raymond

West Portal/Parkside, ERD 8

Diana Lum, dlum@wcf.com or 731-7793
Larson Park, 19th Ave@Ulloa



Neighborhood Leadership and NERT

We learned a lot from Hurricane Katrina—that we need to be able to take care of ourselves for 5 to 7 days; that it is truly our neighbors who will need our help and who will help us; that personal planning and preparation are necessary to our survival.

After the 1989 Loma Prieta quake, citizen interest and demand led to development of the NERT Training Program. Now, many citizens and neighborhood organizations see a need for neighborhood planning and community preparation. The SF Office of Emergency Services has created a planning outline or template that communities can use, and **your** expertise as a NERT, as well as a resident of the neighborhood, will be critical in making it a realistic, useable plan for your community. Residents of District 5 and Noe Valley have already begun.

If you are interested in making this kind of planning a focus for your NERT team, and a chance to work with other neighborhood organizations, email Lt. Arteseros or any member of the Advisory Board (contact info on page 2). Put "Community Plan" in the subject. They will help you get started!

ERD Information

Ham radio operators: For the latest update on ERD simplex frequencies, contact the ACS Operations Officer at 415-558-2717.

ERD	Address	Simplex	Disaster Care Facility
ERD 1	1340 Powell St.	145.560	Chinese Hospital, St. Francis
ERD 2	109 Oak St.	144.240	Kaiser, St. Francis
ERD 3	36 Bluxome St.	146.490	SF General, St. Francis
ERD 4	2150 California St.	147.350	Cal Pacific Med Center-Sacramento St.
ERD 5*	1443 Grove St.	*	*Temporarily closed.
ERD 6	3880-26th St.	147.510	St. Luke's Hospital, SF General
ERD 7	441-12th Ave.	147.570	VA Hospital, Kaiser, Cal Pacific-California St.
ERD 8	2155-18th Ave.	147.540	Seton Medical Center
ERD 9	1000 Ocean Ave.	147.405	Seton Medical Center
ERD 10	2245 Jerrold	144.270	SF General Hospital
ERD 11	The Presidio	146.475	VA Hospital, Kaiser
ERD 12	Treasure Island	146.595	None

For the location of American Red Cross Shelters and First Aid Centers, listen to the Emergency Alert System following a major disaster. In San Francisco: KCBS 740AM.

2006 Class Schedule—Check Web Site for Updates

TO ENROLL- Call 415-970-2024 or go to <http://www.sfgov.org/sffdnert> for online registration.

Share the schedule with family and friends. Be sure to tell them: They can take the training at any location. They can "mix & match" sessions to match their schedules . . . can't make all the Tuesday sessions? Make them up on Saturday or Thursday.

Richmond , Presidio Hts/Laurel Heights/University Terr.

Beginning January 4, Wednesdays 6:30pm-9:30pm

January 4, 11, 18, 25, February 1, and 8

St. Anne's Home Auditorium—300 Lake St.@4th Ave

South Beach/Mission Bay/Embarcadero

Beginning January 12, Thursdays 6:00pm-9:00pm

January 12, 19, 26, February 2, 9, and 16

SF Fire Dept Headquarters - 698 2nd St@Townsend

Balboa High School

Beginning January 23, Mondays 5pm-8pm

January 23, 30, February 6, 13, 27, and March 6

The "Little Theatre", 1000 Cayuga @Onondaga

Potrero Hill

Beginning January 28, SATURDAYS! 9am-4pm

January 28, February 4, and 11

St Teresa's Church Hall 19th St @ Connecticut

South of Market

Beginning January 31, Tuesdays 5:00pm-8:00pm

January 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28, and March 7

SOMA Rec Center—6th St @ Folsom

Sunset

Beginning February 9, Thursday evenings, 6pm-9pm

February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9, and 16

Sunset Church Hall 3635 Lawton @ 42nd Ave

Dolores Plaza, Mission, Church, Castro, Hayes Valley

Beginning February 27, Monday evenings, 6pm-9pm

February 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27, and April 3

Dolores Plaza, 1839—15th St.

Noe Valley

Beginning March 4, SATURDAYS! 9am-4pm

March 4, 11, 18

Noe Valley Ministry Hall, 1021 Sanchez@Elizabeth

Victims needed: Feb. 8, 11, 16; Mar 6, 7, 16, 18; Apr 3. It's fun, it's free, it's a great way to learn!



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