

# I Am Interested In Becoming A NERT Neighborhood Coordinator

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**Congratulations and thank you!** for considering assuming the important role as a San Francisco NERT Neighborhood Coordinator for your neighborhood. As a neighborhood coordinator, you would become a part of a wonderful group of people who are among the most spirited, dedicated, and conscientious in San Francisco NERT. Welcome!

**What Do Neighborhood Coordinators Do?** Briefly, NERT asks Coordinators to:

- Act as a contact person for NERT members in your neighborhood.
- Encourage your neighbors to get NERT training.
- Participate in San Francisco NERT drills, training classes, and other events as time permits, and encourage your team members to do so.
- Help set up and staff a staging area in your neighborhood after a disaster, if you are safe and able to do so.

We know you have a life and work outside of NERT. Do what you can, when your schedule permits. Keep in mind that you are not alone: We hope you will ask for help from your team members, and from experienced NERT coordinators and members, who are available to answer questions and provide assistance.

**What about training?** NERT offers *free training* for new and current neighborhood coordinators at our Leadership Training Class. For information about the next Leadership Training Class, see the NERT calendar at <http://sf-fire.org/calendar-special-events>

**How do I reach NERT members in my neighborhood?** Your first step is to get a list of NERT graduates in your area. Once you meet with Lt. Erica Arteseros, (Erica), fill out and return to Erica the "NERT database confidentiality form" attached to this message, we will send you contact information for NERT graduates in your area.

[**Caution:** NERT member contact information is private, and is to be used for NERT-related activities only.]

You may then contact the NERT graduates on the list you receive. You may want to schedule a team meeting and invite members to the meeting when you contact them. If you want to mail letters or postcards to team members, you can request mailing assistance from Erica.

**How will NERT members and neighbors know how to reach me?** Please share your desired contact information (e.g., phone and e-mail address) with Diane and Erica. We will place it on the NERT web site, and share it with other coordinators.

**How can I meet other NERT leaders?** NERT holds quarterly gatherings to share information and meet other NERT leaders. For the schedule of Leaders Meetings, see the NERT Calendar on line at <http://sf-fire.org/calendar-special-events>

**What Now?** I have read this starter handout and I would like to take the next steps.

**Contact** Lt. Erica Arteseros at the NERT program office at [sffdnert@sfgov.org](mailto:sffdnert@sfgov.org) to set up a meeting.

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