



# Annual Report to City Council

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President, Tualatin CERT and Ham Team

September 11, 2023

# CERT Team Status Report

- ↵ Hosted Tualatin's 1<sup>st</sup> Emergency Preparedness Fair
- ↵ Returning to in-person training September 12, 2023
- ↵ 165 CERT team members
- ↵ 110 CERT active team members
- ↵ 77 ham radio license holders
- ↵ 38 GMRS radio license holders
- ↵ Mobilization requests
  - ↵ Blender Dash, ¡Viva Tualatin!, Pumpkin Regatta

September is



# FEMA Training Prepares Us - Emergencies When First Responders Are Overwhelmed

- ↵ Ice storms
- ↵ Smoke/fire threats
- ↵ Extreme heat
- ↵ Pandemic
- ↵ Floods
- ↵ Earthquakes

# Consequences

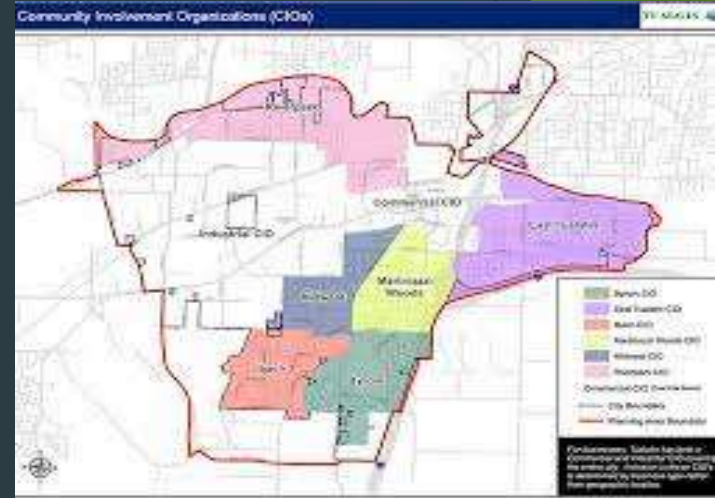
- ↵ Power outage
- ↵ Internet outage
- ↵ Cell phone outage
- ↵ Blocked roads
- ↵ Evacuation
- ↵ Breathing hazard
- ↵ Limit contact with people
- ↵ Supply shortages

## Increased Risk Due to Climate Change

- ↵ Power outage due to wind storms, ice storms, fire/smoke
- ↵ Internet outage due to wind storms, ice storms
- ↵ Cell phone outage due to ice storms, loss of electricity
- ↵ Blocked roads due to ice storms, flood
- ↵ Evacuation due to floods, fire/smoke
- ↵ Breathing hazard due to fire/smoke, pandemic

# Tualatin Is Preparing

- ↵ City-wide
- ↵ Neighborhoods
- ↵ City government (and external agencies)
- ↵ Businesses
- ↵ CERT volunteers support
- ↵ Coordination with CIOs



# Tualatin CERT - *Community Emergency Response Team*

- ↵ All volunteers
- ↵ Help our entire community prepare for disaster
- ↵ 501(c)3 non-profit organization
- ↵ Supported by City of Tualatin
- ↵ Programs for residents and businesses
  - ↵ Tualatin Neighborhood Ready
  - ↵ Tualatin CERT training
  - ↵ Radio communications
  - ↵ Businesses



# 2023 Spring Hybrid Basic Training - Check-In





# GMRS & Ham Radio Training Exercise



# Tualatin Neighborhood Ready

- ↵ For families and their nearby neighbors (or local businesses)
- ↵ Free presentation + great family prep guideline
- ↵ Introduction to preparing:
  - ↵ Family plan
  - ↵ Emergency supplies & storage
  - ↵ Find utility shut-offs
  - ↵ Home hazards
  - ↵ Evacuation go bags
  - ↵ Communication tips
  - ↵ Working with your neighbors
- ↵ Visit [tualatincert.org](http://tualatincert.org), click Tualatin Neighborhood Ready
- ↵ Contact [TualatinReadyMYN@gmail.com](mailto:TualatinReadyMYN@gmail.com)



# Tualatin Neighborhood Ready Info Booth - ¡Viva Tualatin



# Tualatin CERT Training

## ↳ Free training course (25 hours):

- ↳ Earthquake awareness & disaster preparation
- ↳ Fire suppression techniques
- ↳ Disaster first aid/triage
- ↳ Search and rescue
- ↳ Team organization
- ↳ Open to all Tualatin residents and employees

## ↳ Volunteer to help in our community

## ↳ Visit [tualatincert.org](http://tualatincert.org), click Tualatin CERT

## ↳ Contact [info@tualatincert.org](mailto:info@tualatincert.org)

Fall Class  
Starts  
September  
12th!



## 2023/24 Tualatin CERT Projects

- ↵ Restart in-person neighborhood meetings outreach with Tualatin Neighborhood Ready program
- ↵ Continue Pohl Center education outreach
- ↵ Hold Basic CERT Training Fall 2023
- ↵ Hold Basic CERT Training Spring 2024
- ↵ Expand GMRS Radio Network
- ↵ Evaluate need for Annual or Biannual Fair

# 2023 Emergency Preparedness Fair- August 5, 2023



- ▶ 35 Exhibitors
  - ▶ Agencies
  - ▶ Large companies
  - ▶ Local businesses
  - ▶ Non profits
- ▶ 500+ families attended
- ▶ 45 volunteers

# Thank you City of Tualatin For....

- ↵ Your continued support of CERT's programs and.....
- ↵ Your Emergency Preparedness Fair participation
  - ↵ Lindsay Marshall, Public Works
  - ↵ Geo De Paz, Public Works Water Division
  - ↵ Miguel Gonzalez-Alfaro, Parks & Recreation Team
  - ↵ Greg Pickering, Chief of Police
  - ↵ Jennifer Massey, Tualatin Police Department



# A few images from the August 5<sup>th</sup> Fair at Tualatin Community Park



City  
operators  
demonstrate  
Emergency  
Equipment

















# Tonight's Tip - Keep Preparing

## ↵ Distribute a family contact list

- ↪ Include somebody out of the area
- ↪ Keep a printed copy
- ↪ Update when you change your clocks!

## ↵ Store emergency water

- ↪ 1 gallon / person / day
- ↪ Work your way up to a 2-week supply
- ↪ Don't forget about pets

## ↵ Keep your car gas tank ½ full or more

## ↵ Utilities

- ↪ Know when, where, and how to turn off gas

# Thank you!

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Questions?