



BE WINTER READY IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

A change in seasons means taking down, putting away, and checking for supplies we might need during a severe weather emergency. It also means checking our neighbors and our neighborhood.

For your home and family:

- Replace emergency food and water you may have used in the summer or that needs rotating.
- Put your winter weather clothes in a handy place.
- Have an ample supply of batteries for all devices requiring them, including motorized wheelchairs or other medical or assistive technology. Keep rechargeable ones charged.
- Make sure you have working smoke and CO2 detectors.
- Put away garden hoses and replace with faucet covers.
- Call your out-of-area contact to check on how they are doing and to test your emergency plan.

For you automobiles:

- Include warm clothing, extra food, and water.
- Have a cell-phone charger for your car.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full at all times.
- Check out [The Bucket List](#) for more information.

In your neighborhood:

- Keep street drains clear of leaves and debris.
- Find out which neighbors will be away for a time and ask how you can reach them in an emergency.
- Ask your more vulnerable neighbors if they need help getting their homes ready. **Offer to help them.**
- Encourage neighbors to sign up for Pierce County ALERT to receive emergency alerts:

<http://www.piercecountywa.org/ALERT>

- When a storm passes and it is safe, check your neighbors.
- Sign up to receive severe weather alerts:

<http://www.weather.gov/ilm/mobile>



Click on the shovel to link to [winterwise](#) for more information.

4TH QUARTER: 2016 PREPAREDNESS ACADEMY AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

DON'T MISS OUT! Sign up now for the following trainings to update and/or increase your skills. These courses are free to PCNET, shelter and other CCC-PC volunteers. Pre-registration at the sites listed is required. Classes not meeting a minimum of registrants will be cancelled.

FAMILY SERVICE RADIOS FOR EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATIONS

Understand the basics of using radio communications in a disaster and get hands-on practice.

Thurs., Nov. 10, 6:00-8:30 p.m. To register:

<http://piercecounty.surveymshare.com/s/AYACWTA>

DISASTER FIRST AID

Learn skills to support an injured person for hours or days. Includes a first aid card.

Sat., Nov. 19, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. To register:

<http://piercecounty.surveymshare.com/s/AYACWCC>

CARE TEAM TRAINING

Learn skills to provide emotional/spiritual support in times of disasters in emergency shelters. **Sat., Nov. 19, 9:00—11:30 a.m.** For questions and to register: 253-383-3056 Ext 117.

COMMUNITY SHELTER OPERATIONS TRAINING

Become part of a county-wide shelter team. This is also a good refresher for people who have gone through shelter training before. **Sat., Nov. 19, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** For more information:

<http://piercecounty.surveymshare.com/s/AYACGUA>

PC-DEM TRAINING IS-100/IS-700/IS-200

COMBINATION CLASS This is your chance to take these required courses in one day in a classroom setting! **Wed., Dec. 7, 8:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.**

Register at this link:

<http://piercecounty.surveymshare.com/s/AYACGXA>

MAKE YOUR HOME EARTHQUAKE RESISTANT

Learn how to structurally retrofit a wood-frame home to lessen or prevent earthquake damage. Know what ask before you hire anyone to come in to work. **Thurs., Dec. 15, University Place Library, 6:00-8:30 p.m.** To register contact Jennifer Hales at 253-798-3141.

CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL OF PIERCE COUNTY (CCC-PC)

Are you a PCNET team member? Are you trained to work in an emergency community shelter? Think about CCC-PC. Meet others who also want to help out in disasters. Learn about activities and trainings in which you can be involved. Meetings are held the first Thursday of every even-numbered month. The next one is set for:

Dec. 1, 2:30—4:30 PM @ The Salvation Army., 1110 S. Puget Sound, Tacoma (corner of 12th & Union)

FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNITY. CALL 253.798.6595