

Carnation...ready, set,

PREPARE

ARE YOU READY?



May 2007

Dear Carnation Residents:

Helping our community enhance its emergency preparedness is a high priority for the City of Carnation. We will never know when a disaster, natural or man-made may strike. This winter we learned a great deal about the value of being prepared for an emergency. In order to help our community become better prepared, the City is launching Carnation...ready, set, PREPARE. The purpose of this campaign is to provide important emergency preparedness information to help all citizens be better prepared in case of a natural or man-made disaster, including weather-related events like those experienced this winter. Survival in a disaster can depend on your level of preparedness. Please take the time to review this information and take action on preparing your basic needs including developing a family plan, storing and rotating emergency supplies (food/water/medication) on a regular basis, and planning for ways to cook and keep warm.

In a major disaster, all City of Carnation employees would assist with our emergency response. However, it is important that our residents know, just as we have seen in other major disasters around the world, these first responders and resources will likely be overwhelmed in the event of a large-scale emergency. Depending on the magnitude of the event, city, county, state and federal emergency workers will unlikely have the ability to respond to your basic needs for more than 72 hours and, in some cases, a much longer duration. It is important for residents to know that regular utility services, such as power, phone, water and sewer services, may not function during a catastrophe.

Enclosed in this packet is an informational sheet with local information and a resource list for emergency preparedness suppliers as well as the 2007 Emergency Resource Guide. The Emergency Resource Guide is also available electronically at www.ci.carnation.wa.us and in other languages on the Access Washington website at www.doh.wa.gov/phepr/factsheets.htm. Thank you for taking the time to read this material and for taking the necessary steps to prepare yourself, your family, your workplace and your neighborhood. Working together we can ensure that the City of Carnation remains a safe place to live, work and raise a family.

If you have any questions or comments about this effort, please contact City Hall at 425-333-4192 or visit www.ci.carnation.wa.us.

Sincerely,

Bill Paulsen, Mayor

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Carnation Emergency Preparedness Resources

In an emergency, where can I get information?

Carnation City Hall, 425-333-4192, www.ci.carnation.wa.us

In an emergency, every effort will be made to open City Hall as a primary point for information. The City's phone system is dependent upon electricity, so in the event of a power outage, phone access may not be available.

Community Bulletin Boards

In an emergency, important information will be posted at the bulletin board at City Hall and in other convenient locations around town such as QFC, Post Office, Carnation Library.

Regional Public Information Network (RPIN) www.rpin.org

The RPIN website is a one-stop resource for news alerts from more than 60 government, transportation, utility, health and emergency response agencies serving King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties.

Tolt River Dam Breach Evacuation Route

In the event of a catastrophic failure or breach of the Tolt River Dam, the City has developed an evacuation route to an evacuation site on high ground. The evacuation trail begins at the east end of NE 50th Street and is for pedestrian access only, no vehicles. In the event of a breach, the warning siren should sound to notify residents to evacuate. The siren is tested every Wednesday at noon.

Shelter Information

In the event that the City or local organization opens a shelter, that information will be posted on the community bulletin boards. It will also be shared with the Red Cross and available by contacting American Red Cross Serving King County, www.seattleredcross.org, 206-323-2345.

Utility Services

City of Carnation Water & Sewer Utilities, www.ci.carnation.wa.us, 425-333-4192, after hours emergency 425-333-4484

Puget Sound Energy (electric and natural gas), www.pse.com, 888-225-5773

Waste Management, www.wmnorthwest.com, 800-592-9995
Century Tel, www.centurytel.com, 800-201-4099

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Transportation Services

Metro Transit, www.transit.metrokc.gov, 206-553-3000
Sound Transit, www.soundtransit.org, 206-398-5000

Emergency Preparedness Tips

- Emergency Responders and other government resources will be overwhelmed in the first 72 hours and likely longer following a disaster; take action steps now to prepare yourself and family to respond, recover and survive.
- Residents should always have a family disaster plan that includes three important things – a meeting place, an out-of-state contact and an emergency supply kit. For more information on creating a disaster plan for your family visit www.metrokc.gov, www.redcross.org or www.ready.gov.
- Get to know your neighbors and co-workers. They will be your greatest resource during a disaster.

Get Involved

- Carnation Duvall Citizen Corps Council (CDCCC) offers many ways you can get more involved in disaster preparedness as well as ways to keep your family safe. For more information visit www.carnationduvallcitizencorps.org.

CDCCC offers the following programs:

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Neighborhood Watch Program

Volunteers in Police Services

Medical Reserve Corps

Fire Corps

Carnation Duvall Amateur Radio Club

- Map Your Neighborhood is a new program recently introduced to Carnation. It is sponsored by the State Emergency Management Division and is a way to organize your neighborhood to respond immediately following a disaster. For more information about Map Your Neighborhood contact City Hall, 425-333-4192.

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Disaster Supplies Vendor List

The following vendors have participated in vendor fairs within King County. The City of Carnation does not endorse or promote any vendor or particular product. The City makes no warranties expressed or implied about products offered. Other vendors and products may be identified in the yellow pages under “Earthquake Services & Supplies”, or check with your local hardware store.

American Preparedness, Des Moines, WA

(888) 431-4511

www.americanpreparedness.com

American Red Cross, Seattle WA

(206) 726-3530

www.seattlredcross.org

Emergency Preparedness Services, Seattle, WA

(206) 726-0889

www.emprep.com

Emergency Preparedness Society Northwest, Redmond, WA

(425) 822-6997

www.worksafetech.com

PrepareSmart LLC, Redmond, WA

(425) 881-5354

www.preparesmart.com

Simpler Life Emergency Provisions, Inc., Redlands, CA

(800) 266-7737

www.simplerlife.com

SOS Survival Products, Van Nuys, CA

(800) 479-7998

www.sossurvivalproducts.com

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