Comox Valley Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Program





New Guidebook needed to be:

- Appealing
- Beneficial
- Sustainable
- reflect the needs and wants of the neighbourhood
- be non-threatening
- supported locally and regionally





Removing Barriers

- What is NEPP?
- What are the benefits?
- Is it difficult?
- What is the time commitment?
- Will it work in my neighbourhood?





A Step-by-Step Guide to Creating a Basic NEPP Plan

Step 1

Be personally prepared

Step 2

Become a Neighbourhood Champion

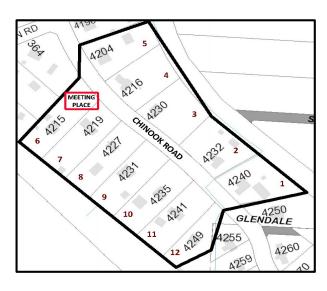
Step 3

Prepare to host a meeting

Step 4

Host the meeting & together create a Basic NEPP Plan

CONGRATULATIONS!





Creating a More Detailed Plan

New Guidebook

Core Functions (optional)

- 1. Area Safety Assessment
- 2. Dwelling Assessments
- 3. Household Checks
- 4. First Aid and Care
- 5. Temporary Shelter
- 6. Information and Communications

Old Manual

Disaster Response Units

- 1. Utilities and Fire Suppression
- 2. Rapid Damage Assessment
- 3. Light Urban Search and Rescue
- 4. Disaster First Aid
- 5. Shelter and Caregiving
- 6. Communication and Transportation



20 Appendices (40 of 54 pages)

- A Basic NEPP Plan
- Sample of a Basic NEPP Plan
- Sample Meeting Invitation
- NEPP Meeting Sign-In Sheet
- NEPP Leadership Team Sign-in Sheet
- Resident Information Sheet
- Neighbourhood Contact Sheet
- NEPP Supplies
- Hosting an Exercise (Training)
- Response Volunteer Sign-up
- Post Disaster Checklist

- Household Checks Sample Log Sheet
- Household Checks Log Sheet
- Response Quick Start Guide
- Needs Sign-up Sheet
- Offers Sign-up Sheet
- Recovery
- Food Security: Urban Gardening and NEPP
- NEPP and FireSmart
- NEPP and Related Legislation



CV Emergency Program Support

- In-person or online presentations
- Free printed and electronic material
- Online discussion forum
- Online interactive map
- Attendance at NEPP meetings (time permitting)
- Support for communities interested in becoming FireSmart
- Ongoing support





The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members - Coretta Scott King



