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Disaster Preparedness for
Menlo Park and Surrounding
Unincorporated County Area

Organized Neighborhood

How to Have a Safer and Friendlier Neighborhood:

When you live in a neighborhood where people know one another, you have a great start for a safer and more enjoyable place to live. With more neighbors knowing each other, the neighborhood becomes safer, people are more friendly, and neighbors are more likely to help other neighbors in need.

Ideas on encouraging neighbors to meet one another:

- Organize a casual afternoon gathering: Food, pizza, BYO BBQ, potluck, snacks, ...
- Organize a neighborhood children event: Holiday theme or any fun theme, egg hunt, halloween event, 4th of July gathering, end of school celebration - brings families together
- Learn what interests are popular: Building neighborhood library boxes, walking groups, sport activities like tennis, cycling, pickle ball, swimming, etc. Be brave, meetup!
- Commit to welcoming new neighbors to the neighborhood
- National Night Out,

Benefits of Organized Neighborhood

Neighbors who know each other are more likely to help each other in times of need. Organized groups can also help to overcome the effects of limited City resources.

An organized neighborhood can address issues of greatest interest or concern:

- Improving traffic/street safety
- Deter crime
- Disaster Preparedness
- Stronger sense of community
- Sense of belonging results in a cleaner and more pleasant living neighborhood

MPCReady - Ready to Help

We have gathered a 'best practices' set of resources to make it easier to create an organized neighborhood and to keep it strong and friendly. We have resources to:

- Help introduce neighbors to one another
- Stay connected and create events
- Prepare for a disaster and steps to recover

Organized neighborhoods are the foundation for residents being able to best prepare for and respond to a disaster.

- Visit: MPCReady.org and explore
- Contact: info@MPCReady.org

