



## NEIGHBORHOOD EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD (MYN)

Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) is a program offered through the City of Mercer Island that helps Mercer Island neighborhoods prepare for disasters.

## **Self-Sufficient for 14 Days**

The Mission of Mercer Island Emergency Preparedness is to help the community be self-sufficient for 14 days. When an earthquake strikes and the I-90 bridges are impassable do you have a plan for your family? If you are off Island who is going to take care of your kids and pets if you are unable to return? Do you have a preparedness kit at home, in your car and at work? If not, we can help!

## **How Does MYN Work?**

Neighbors, usually about 15 to 25 households in your area, get together for a neighborhood party where you:

- Get to know your neighbors!
- Learn the nine steps to follow immediately following a disaster.
- Identify the skills and equipment each neighbor has that could be useful in a disaster response.
- Identify the locations of each natural gas meter and propane tank, as well as households that may need extra help.
- Pick locations for a neighborhood gathering site and neighborhood care center.

## I'd Like to Host. What's Next?

It's easy! The Mercer Island MYN program provides free trainers, who can come to your neighborhood party and facilitate 90-minute training.

As your neighborhood's "organizer," we ask that you organize the party, invite your neighbors and spread the word about preparing for a disaster.

Visit <u>www.mercerisland.gov/emergencyprep</u> for our step-by-step guide with tips to help increase your neighborhood's participation.

Contact Emergency Manager Amanda Keverkamp for with questions.

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