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MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD (MYN)
TOOLKIT

WHAT IS MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD (MYN)?

- Map Your Neighborhood is a community-based initiative to help your neighborhood prepare for disasters
- To date – 30% of households on Bainbridge Island have participated in the MYN process
- Our long-term goal is to reach every single households on the island to help build a prepared and resilient community

MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD WILL HELP YOU LEARN THE FOLLOWING:

- Steps to take immediately following a disaster to secure your homes and protect your neighborhood
- Identify the skills and equipment each neighbor has that are useful for an effective and timely disaster response. Knowing which neighbor has supplies and skills helps your disaster response be timely, and allows everyone to contribute in a meaningful way
- Identify the locations of propane tanks in the neighborhood so they can be shut off if necessary
- Establish a neighborhood contact list that helps identify those with specific needs such as the elderly, disabled, or children who may be home alone during certain hours of the day
- Work together as a team to evaluate your neighborhood during the first hour following a disaster and take the necessary actions

HOW TO REQUEST A MYN KICKOFF TRAINING

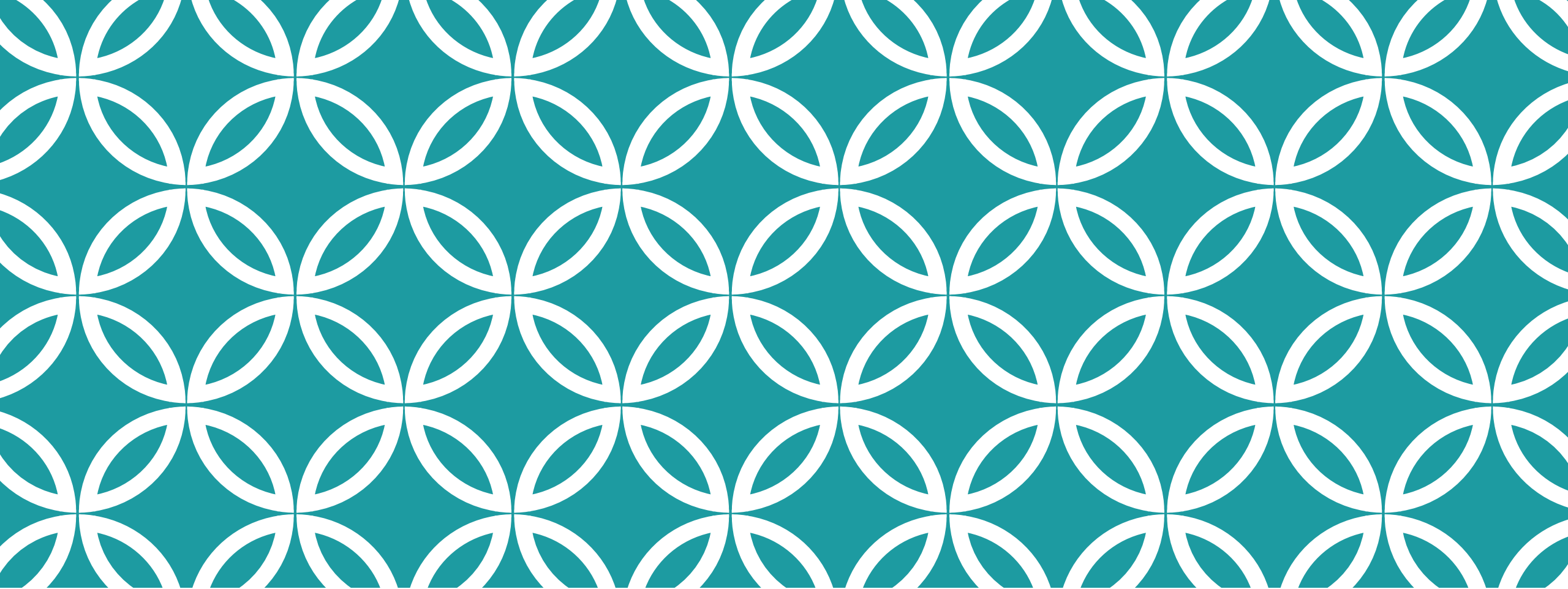
- Email Anne LeSage alesage@bainbridgewa.gov to start the process
- Coordinate with Anne on one or two dates and times that will work for the MYN trainers
- Reach out to your neighborhood and select a date
- Confirm date and time with Anne
- Send Anne street numbers for all houses included in the plan
- Anne will follow up to confirm and provide the name of the trainer and what to expect

HOSTING A MYN KICKOFF TRAINING

- Once the date and time has been scheduled, the host will create a space in their home to have the kickoff training (meeting may also be hosted remotely via Zoom)
- The trainer(s) bring all the necessary handouts with them (if meeting is hosted via Zoom, handouts will be provided for distribution in advance)
- The training itself takes anywhere from 60 – 90 minutes depending on how many questions the group has regarding the information

I'VE HOSTED THE KICKOFF TRAINING, NOW WHAT?

- Select Your Neighborhood Captain
- Choose a Neighborhood Gathering Point
- The Neighborhood Captain collects the Household Data Collection Sheet from all neighbors and compiles the information together in the neighborhood plan
- Once the plan is complete, email the plan to all neighbors
- See MYN Resources in the next section for additional ideas



MYN RESOURCES



IDEAS TO KEEP MYN GOING IN YOUR 'HOOD

- Host an annual MYN get together
- Host quarterly MYN neighborhood “meet and greets” via Zoom
- Create a neighborhood Google Group (or other email listserv) and share preparedness information once a month
- Don't forget to include new neighbors in the planning process
- Do a neighborhood walkthrough – look at everyone's propane tanks, emergency supplies, and gather at your neighborhood gathering point
- Host an “apocalypse potluck” – all meals have to be made using food from your emergency supply kit

IDEAS, CON'T.

- Host a potluck & equipment/show & tell with your neighbors – share your favorite item in your disaster kit
- Practice your plan – pick a day and time to simulate an “earthquake”. Have every household send a representative to the neighborhood gathering point and check in. Pick one or two houses where no one shows up and have them put the “HELP” sign on their front door – send someone to check on those houses
- Practice your utility shut off procedures – does everyone have a wrench/the appropriate tools to shut off your water/propane/etc.?
- Host a summer campout at your neighborhood gathering point

MYN EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE CHECKLIST

1. “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” until the ground stops shaking
2. Check on your family, provide first aid if needed and trained to do so
3. Notify your out of state contact that you are ok
4. Survey your house, note any significant damage
5. Check your utilities, shut off propane
6. Report to neighborhood gathering point for status check
7. Complete neighborhood assessment
8. Be prepared for aftershocks
9. Send MYN Captain to nearest Disaster Hub for updates from the City

MYN WINTER STORM RESPONSE CHECKLIST

1. Make sure your household is prepared for the winter weather and potential power outages
2. Check on elderly neighbors, children who may be home alone, or those with special considerations, during the storm and make sure everyone is ok
3. Pay attention to official updates from the City via Nixle, Facebook, Twitter, and the City website as it relates to road closures, status of City operations, activation of the Severe Weather Shelter, and other critical updates

MYN PANDEMIC RESPONSE CHECKLIST

1. Follow good hygiene practices (wash your hands frequently, cover your cough/sneeze, get the flu vaccine, avoid close contact with people who are sick, clean and disinfect surfaces often, wear a face covering/mask when out in public)
2. Stay home when you are sick and do not go back to school/work until you have been fever free for at least 72 hours
3. Follow guidance from local emergency management and public health officials on social distancing, isolation/quarantine, etc.
4. Follow guidance from state and federal officials on travel restrictions

MYN WILDFIRE RESPONSE CHECKLIST

1. Know your “Evacuation Zone” and at least two ways out of your neighborhood
2. Pay attention to Nixle Alerts from the City
3. Evacuate when told to do so
 - a) Take the following with you: disaster supply kit, pets, special medications or dietary needs, personal items, infant needs
 - b) If you or someone in your household needs transportation help, call 911
 - c) Drive slowly and carefully obeying traffic laws and officials directing you along evacuation routes
 - d) Before leaving your home or business turn off all electrical appliances
 - e) If you cannot evacuate in time, shelter-in-place in your home. Bring pets inside. Close and lock all outside doors and windows

[Wildfire Response | Bainbridge Island, WA - Official Website \(bainbridgewa.gov\)](https://www.bainbridgewa.gov)

NEIGHBORHOOD EXERCISE SCENARIO

SAMPLE TIMELINE

10:00 AM – EARTHQUAKE, ground starts shaking, DROP, COVER, & HOLD ON

10:03 AM – Shaking stops. Check on family/housemates, notify out of state contact that you are ok, survey home for damage

10:10 AM – Treat any minor injuries, clean up any initial damage in your home (if you feel your home is unsafe, leave immediately) and check your utilities, shut off propane tank

10:20 AM – Post your OK or HELP signs on the front door/front window where it is visible for your neighbors to see

10:30 AM – Report to your neighborhood gathering place

EXERCISE SCENARIO, CON'T.

10:30 AM – MYN Captain – receive reports from neighbors reporting into the neighborhood gathering place. Take note of any missing households and assign people to go check on them and report back. Practice using FRS radios (walkie talkies) or Ham radios to communicate with others in your 'hood (if this is a part of your plan)

11:00 AM – Conduct broader assessment of neighborhood, noting any major structural damage, injuries, etc. (for purposes of the exercise – review neighborhood map, utility shut off locations, propane tank locations, etc. and note any changes or updates that need to be made to your neighborhood plan)

11:30 AM – Be prepared for aftershocks. Send MYN Captain to nearest Disaster Hub for updates from the City

OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

[HTTPS://BAINBRIDGEPREPARES.ORG/TEAMS/](https://bainbridgeprepares.org/teams/)



Join a Bainbridge Prepares team!



**Kitsap or BI Community
Emergency Response Team
(CERT)**



**BI Emergency Medical
Responders (BIEMRs) Team**

Wilderness First Responder
training



**Medical Reserve Corps
(MRC) Team**

ONLINE RESOURCES

City of Bainbridge Island

- <https://www.bainbridgewa.gov/781/Neighborhood-Preparedness>
- <https://www.bainbridgewa.gov/796/How-COBI-is-Preparing-for-Disasters>

Bainbridge Prepares

- <https://bainbridgeprepares.org/>

Bainbridge Island Fire Department

<https://www.bifd.org/community-risk-reduction>

Bainbridge Island Rotary Club

- <https://www.bainbridgeislandrotary.org/page/emergency-preparedness>

Nixle Sign Up <https://local.nixle.com/city/wa/bainbridge-island/>

QUESTIONS?

- Contact Anne LeSage, City of Bainbridge Island Emergency Management Coordinator, for more information
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