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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager

From: Pattijean Hooper, Ph.D., Manager, Office of Emergency Management

Date: April 24, 2015

Subject: Community Emergency Response Team #19 Graduation

The Community Emergency Response Team Training (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in: disaster preparedness, fire safety, disaster medical operations, light search and rescue, the incident command system, and disaster psychology.

The members of CERT class 19 are ready for graduation. But before that commences there should be a moment for accolades. On behalf of the City of Kirkland, we should thank each for making the time to prioritize this important civic engagement activity. CERT training supports the goals of the Office of Emergency Management and more importantly all community members!

In today's world, schedules are full and occupied with school, work, family, and many options for volunteering. That these community members chose to educate themselves to help others in times of need speaks volumes to their values and commitment to community building. The information learned can assist neighbors, visitors, the workplace, and even professional responders in times of crisis. Although we never hope to have to call on these skills; in a time of need CERT training will help Kirkland respond and recover from the incident at hand.

This CERT class was trained by community volunteers and firefighters. Thanks to firefighter Ed Kinney, and lead trainer Christina Brugman, and the volunteer instructional staff: Jen Mahan, Todd Bancroft, and Janice Christian. It is important to acknowledge the enthusiasm and commitment of this CERT instructional team. The resources and capabilities of this team keeps CERT alive and well and serving the Kirkland community.

This is the first time CERT has conducted its training at the Kirkland Justice Center. Thank you so much to Patti Ball and Chief of Police Eric Olsen for working with us to utilize this space. The facility was an excellent venue for participants.

At the City Council meeting, Pattijean Hooper, the Emergency Manager will explain the CERT program, ask the graduates to stand and read each graduates name. CERT graduates will shake hands with the mayor, and then the Council members. The group will leave and assemble in the Peter Kirk Room downstairs where they will receive helmets (with graduation tassels); CERT backpacks, and attend a reception in the teams honor.

**Community Emergency Response Team Training Class # 19 (Spring 2015)
GRADUATION LIST**

Name	Neighborhood
John Bailey	Finn Hill
Ryan Blackhawke	Finn Hill
Karen Carpenter	Woodinville
Kate Carpenter	Woodinville
Danelle Cooley	Everest
Lyle Corbin	Finn Hill
Jeff Dickinson	Everest
Susan Fehr	Totem Lake
Stephen Hager	Highlands
Matthew Harris	North Rose Hill
Diana Hasegan	Juanita
Melissa House	Market
Kristen Jawad	Finn Hill
Mohammed Jawad	Finn Hill
Amber Martinez	Renton
David Morris	Juanita
William Morris	North Rose Hill
Michael Sandona	Juanita
Sarah Stockwell	Norkirk
Erin Tramantozzi	Bridle Trails
Susan Turnquist	Central Houghton
Sharon Whitson	North Rose Hill
Dennis Weston	Bridle Trails
Susan Hanser	Woodinville