



## CITY OF KIRKLAND

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### MEMORANDUM

**To:** Kurt Triplett, City Manager  
**From:** Pattijean Hooper, Ph.D., Manager, Office of Emergency Management  
**Date:** April 30, 2014  
**Subject:** Community Emergency Response Team #17 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 17 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. Guest Speakers for the class included Caroline Whalen, Mike Ryan, and Bob Morrisson. 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.

The Kirkland Seventh Day Adventist Church generously donated the space to provide this training for each of the 8 classes CERT conducted. The facility was an excellent venue for participants. We sincerely appreciate the church's support.

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 # 17 (Spring 2014)**

<b>First name</b>	<b>Last name</b>	<b>Neighborhood</b>
Sanaa	Abuthuraya	North Rose Hill
Suzanne	Bachelor	Juanita
Jim	Boril	Juanita
Robert	Brown	Lakeview
Marcie	Bullock	Juanita
Mike	Fine	Finn Hill
Kyle	Henry	Juanita
John	Janssen	Highlands
Cyril	Kerns	Juanita
Alex	Koloskov	Totem Lake
Margit	Moore	Moss Bay
Mary	Osness	Central Houghton
Grace	Pabst	Evergreen Hill / Kingsgate
John	Pabst Jr.	Evergreen Hill / Kingsgate
Don	Sayler	Finn Hill
Marcia	Stein	North Rose Hill
Nate	Thies	Central Houghton
Kate	Thorlakson	Everest
McKenzie	Vega	Highlands
Kyle	Warnick	Evergreen Hill / Kingsgate