




What Does OCP&R Cover?

- ✓ Organized Neighborhoods
 - ✓ Alerts and notifications
 - ✓ Evacuation plans, Go-Bags, etc.
 - ✓ Power outages
 - ✓ Hardening against earthquake/wildfire
 - ✓ Responding during a disaster
 - ✓ Safety after a disaster
 - + GENOAK 2-way radio network
- www.genoak.org

Oakland Community Preparedness & Response  **Guide #01**

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION 

 Safe communities begin with **well-organized and prepared** neighborhoods. Oakland residents are highly encouraged to create their own organized neighborhoods to address areas of local concern, to prepare for emergencies, and to build stronger and better-connected communities.

Why Organize Your Neighborhood?

Organizing (or re-organizing) your neighborhood group will result in improved safety, beauty and overall quality of life. It will help to overcome the effects of limited city resources.

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


- Preparing for and responding to natural disasters and emergencies
- Deterring crime
- Improving parking and traffic safety in your immediate area
- Cleaning up and beautifying the neighborhood and making it more wildfire safe
- Socializing and building a stronger sense of community
- Looking out for one another

What Does an Organized Neighborhood Look Like?

An organized neighborhood typically covers a block or two of connected streets (some are larger), or perhaps all the units in an apartment building. The organized neighborhood has one or preferably several leaders/coordinators/Block Captains, keeps an updated and secure roster with resident's contact info and holds regular events during the year.

These neighborhood events can include:

- Informal social gatherings to welcome new neighbors
- Holiday parties
- Firewise USA® wildfire safety efforts
- National Night Out
- Neighborhood Watch crime prevention training
- Emergency preparedness (CORE/CERT) training and drills

 Many Oakland communities are very well organized and have been for many years, and are willing to serve as model groups for newly organized neighborhoods. **The OCP&R team can help coordinate this assistance. Please contact us.**

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What Doesn't OCP&R Cover?

- ✓ Incident Command System (FEMA)
 - ✓ Team Leader, Operations, Logistics, Planning...
- ✓ Disaster First Aid and Medical Operations
- ✓ Disaster Psychology (Guide 19)
- ✓ Fire Suppression
- ✓ Search and Rescue
- ✓ Terrorism/Security

CERT training covers these topics and more:

<https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/core>