

PC-NET

(Neighborhood Emergency Teams)

The Edgewood Police Department, in cooperation with the Pierce County Department of Emergency Management announces the formation of a PC-NET team in Edgewood.

WHAT IS PC-NET?

PC-NET is a proactive effort to organize community volunteers into response teams capable of assisting and supplementing First Responders in the event of a natural or man-made disaster.

WHO ARE MEMBERS OF PC-NET?

Although PC-NET is organized and supported by the Pierce County Department of Emergency Management, it really is a collection of local neighbors, First Responders, and City Staff working in concert with one another.

WHY DO WE NEED PC-NET?

History has shown us that in times of crisis, Americans by nature try to help those who can not help themselves. PC-NET recognizes that fact and works to pre-coordinate a response effort prior to any actual crisis.

This type of proactive planning takes a very small investment of time but saves countless hours of coordinating a response in the event of a major event.

WHAT WILL I BE DOING AS A PC-NET VOLUNTEER?

The teams are divided into the following 7 groups: *Communications, First Aid, Damage Assessment, Safety and Security, Light Search and Rescue, Sheltering and Special Needs, and Neighborhood Action Team.* Based on your experience skill and ability, you can select the position that best fits you.

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED IN PC-NET?

Currently we are assessing the desire of participants in the Edgewood Area. If you would like to become involved, please contact Volunteers Al or Barb Nyhus at the Edgewood Police Department: (253) 798-4960. Please leave a message with your name, address, phone number and what area you are interested in. Once we get enough city members interested, we will coordinate a community meeting.

To learn more please visit <http://www.co.pierce.wa.us/pc/abtus/ourorg/dem/pcnet.htm> or call Detective Jay Jensen at 798-4962.