

Stoneybrook Village

Disaster Plan

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STONEYBROOK VILLAGE DISASTER PLAN

INTRODUCTION

Stoneybrook Village, as an over-55 community, is classified as a “vulnerable population” relative to disaster preparedness. Although this means that we may have a certain priority for City and County rescue efforts in a disaster, we are likely to be considered after hospitals, schools, OSU, mental health and other facilities. We could be “on our own” for up to 3 or 4 days before receiving assistance from outside the community in a major disaster. As we saw during the excessive snow fall in February 2014, we were not a priority (at least for plowing) even in such a minor disaster. It therefore behooves us to put into place plans whereby we, as a distinct community, can help each other be more resilient and responsive in the event of a disaster. We have a unique opportunity here, as we are a fairly cohesive and affluent community with a strong Owners Association that can provide the leadership for development and implementation of such plans.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The disasters with the highest probability that Stoneybrook Village may to be subject to include:

Earthquakes	Wind Storms	Disruption of Water Supply
Droughts	Winter Storms	Extended Power Failures
Wild Fires	Volcanic Eruptions	High Heat Events
Pandemic Events	Toxic Spills/Gases	Terrorism

Appendix B: Hazard Analysis

This plan starts with the position that our most effective response to any occurrence of these disasters would be neighbors reaching out and helping each other. It therefore outlines actions that we can take to help organize these responses to make them more effective and to prepare us for eventual assistance from outside of the community. The key elements of this plan are:

1. Maintain a SVOA Preparedness Committee chartered to implement this plan.
2. Mitigation: Be Prepared in Advance
 - a. Preparedness Survey
 - b. Help-Your-Neighbor Program
 - c. Workshops on Individual Preparedness
 - d. Group Orders of Preparedness Supplies
 - e. Contracted Snow Removal Program
3. Response: Organized Neighbors Ready to Help
 - a. 4x4 Drivers
 - b. Snow Shovelers
 - c. First Aid Response Team
 - d. Assessment and Assistance Team
4. Supplies: Maintain a Cache of Needed Supplies

PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

In March 2014 the SVOA Board established a permanent Preparedness Committee to report to the Board – responsibilities include making and updating as needed preparedness plans and recommendations; advising the Board on emergency responses to storms, power failures, earthquakes, etc.; and maintaining any SVOA-owned disaster supplies.

MITIGATION

The Preparedness Committee has initiated several major programs that aim to improve the disaster resiliency and general preparedness of Stoneybrook Village.

PREPAREDNESS SURVEY: Each resident of Stoneybrook Village is asked to fill out a survey of what special needs they may have in a disaster (Needs) and what special skills or tools they may have to offer the community in a disaster (Resources). The Needs are intended to help make sure our disaster plans take any special needs into consideration, and may be used to guide rescue efforts. The results are kept confidential and locked in a secure document safe. The Preparedness Committee Chair and Board President are the only ones with access to this information. The Resources are tabulated and made available to Stoneybrook Owners in a password protected section of the SVOA-Corvallis.com website.

HELP-YOUR –NEIGHBOR: The Help-Your-Neighbor Program is a formalization of the fact that the first responders in a disaster are likely to be one’s neighbors. Each resident is asked to consult with the two neighbors on each side of them to share information on special needs, contacts, pets, etc. Each resident is given a card to record this information. The Preparedness Committee will give new cards to new residents as well as stickers to replace the sections on the neighbors’ cards that have the previous resident’s information.

WORKSHOPS: The Preparedness Committee will host presentations and workshops 1-3 times a year to help inform and train residents of the community on disaster preparedness. The goal is that all homes ultimately have their own preparedness plan and supplies.

GROUP ORDERS: Most preparedness plans include storage of certain supplies. By coordinating group orders of certain supplies, the cost of these supplies can be kept minimal.

SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM: With the cooperation of our landscape contractor, we have arranged for them to offer a fixed rate shoveling program. For those who sign up at the beginning of the winter season, they will come shovel individual driveways and walks after snow or ice events at the agreed upon fixed price (currently \$100/event). This service only applies to those who have applied at the beginning of the season, and there must be a minimum of 10 homes signed up to implement the program.

RESPONSE TEAMS

Response teams of volunteers from within the community will be formed to help with our initial response to various emergencies and disasters. Every volunteer will be asked to sign a waiver accepting personal responsibility prior to being accepted to these teams. The teams will participate in training workshops throughout the year in appropriate skills that may be of use to Stoneybrook in these events. At no time will the team act in a manner beyond their training and authorization. Generally, the responses will be coordinated from the Clubhouse, unless the Clubhouse is not structurally safe. The Lodge will be the backup location. Each Response Team will have a Team Leader who shall also be a member of the Preparedness Committee.

4X4 Drivers: A number of residents within Stoneybrook have 4-wheel drive vehicles and appropriate tires to travel in adverse conditions. A list of those willing to provide transportation to others in the community during adverse weather events will be made available to the community.

Snow Shovelers: A list of volunteer able-bodied residents who may be willing to help with snow shoveling during snow events will be formed and made available to the community.

First Aid Response Team: In a severe event that may involve multiple injuries to residents, a team of volunteer residents who have first aid training will respond to the Clubhouse. Residents needing first aid attention can come or be brought to the Clubhouse by the Stoneybrook Assessment and Assistance Team. The First Aid Response Team will triage and administer first aid to the limits of their training, and provide assessment information to the EMS/EMT responders when they arrive.

Assessment and Assistance Team: This volunteer team's charter is to go throughout the community and provide an initial assessment of the impact of the disaster on the community and identify those needing assistance. This team will also provide command and communications during the response period. Command will prioritize response, which may include helping the injured get to the Clubhouse, communications with City responders, and possible rescue operations, depending on the level of training of the responders. It is recommended that all of the Assessment and Assistance Team be trained and certified with the FEMA CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) program.

RESPONSE TEAMS COMMUNICATION PLAN

Contact lists for the Snow Shovelers and the 4x4 Drivers will be made available to Stoneybrook residents in the Owners section of the SVOA-Corvallis.com website. Residents may contact these members individually to request assistance during non-disaster storm events. Response Team members other than the Snow Shoveler and 4x4 Drivers are not to self-deploy.

In the event of a large scale emergency or disaster, the following communication protocol should be followed:

1. The SVOA President and Preparedness Committee Chair, or their designates, contact each other to decide if this is a situation justifying calling out one or more Response Teams.
2. The Preparedness Committee Chair, or designate, will contact the appropriate Response Team Leader(s) by phone or in person to authorize deployment.
3. The Response Team Leader(s) will contact their team members with instructions for response.

4. The Preparedness Committee Chair will access the Community Needs listing to ensure those residents who self-identified as needing assistance are a priority for checking on.
5. Accurate and complete notes of actions taken are to be kept to inform City Responders and for followup.

See Figure 1 for Response Team Meeting Place

EMERGENCY SUPPLIES

The Association will maintain a cache of supplies that may be necessary in a disaster. These supplies should include, but not be limited to:

- Sturdy locked cabinet to store the supplies. SVOA President, Preparedness Committee Chair, and Community Manager are to have the keys to this cabinet.
- Document Safe to contain information on resident who may need extra assistance and any other documents deemed to be important for during a disaster.
- Two way radios to be used by members of the Assessment and Assistance Team to maintain communication throughout the community when cell phones are not useable.
- First Aid kit that includes trauma supplies adequate to handle broken bones and larger bleeding wounds as well as cuts and scrapes.
- Snow shovel to make sure the entry to the Clubhouse is accessible
- Gas wrench to allow shutting of the gas to the Clubhouse or residences where gas leaks are detected.
- Water main wrench to shut off water in the event of a water line break.

These supplies will be maintained by the Preparedness Committee to replace expired items and keep the radios charged.

FIGURE 1: STONEYBROOK CLUBHOUSE- MEETING PLACE FOR RESPONSE TEAMS

