CERT CONNECT



this issue

- √ 7 STEPS TO EARTHQUAKE

 SAFETY
- ✓ SEARCH & RESCUE SIZE-UP
- **✓ SEARCH MARKINGS**
- ✓ EARTHQUAKE RETROFIT GRANTS



Seven Steps to Earthquake Safety

One of the most effective ways to promote preparedness in our community is through neighbor to neighbor conversations. The Seven Steps to Earthquake Safety is an easy and effective way to help your neighbors plan and prepare.

Step 1: Secure Your Space

Identify hazards and securing moveable items.



Create your emergency plan and decide how you will communicate.

Step 3: Organize Emergency Supplies
Make sure that they are easily accessible.

Step 4: Minimize Financial Hardship

Organize important documents, strengthening your property, and considering insurance coverage

Step 5: <u>Drop, Cover and Hold</u>

Practice with your family and friends.

Step 6: Improve Safety

By evacuating if necessary, helping the injured, and preventing further injuries or damage.

Step 7: Reconnect and Restore

Reunite, repair damage, and begin rebuilding your community.

















TRAINING

CERT members are encouraged to keep learning and seeking out classes that will strengthen their skills.

BE RESPONSIBLE!
BE READY!

SIZE-UP, ALWAYS FIRST STEP

In any CERT operation the Team members need to conduct a size-up before taking any actions. The nine steps of size-up are:

- 1. Gather Facts
- 2. Assess Damage
- 3. Consider Probabilities
- 4. Assess Your Situation
- 5. Establish Priorities
- 6. Make Decisions
- 7. Develop Plan of Action
- 8. Take Action
- 9. Evaluate Progress

Search Markings

Experienced search and rescue personnel use the following system. CERTs will use the same system. This will save time for fellow CERT volunteers and other responders during the search and continual size-up of the structure.



JOIN OUR TEAM



Were still looking for volunteers to join our team and help promote emergency preparedness districtwide!

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT OPENINGS!!

- CERT Logistics Team
- > CERT Communications Team
- CERT Area Team Liaisons

Sign-Up on the New Website www.menlofirecert.com



Grants to Seismic Retrofit Your Home!

Get up to \$3,000 Toward an Earthquake Retrofit

Earthquake Brace + Bolt (EBB) helps homeowners lessen the potential for damage during an earthquake. EBB offers a grant of up to \$3,000 toward a seismic retrofit for qualifying older houses. EBB Program Information



CERT DISATER READY QUIZ

Each month two individuals will be entered into a raffle to win an emergency preparedness prize. In order to be eligible for the raffle, you will need to submit your answers though this <u>online form</u>. You must answer all questions correctly to be eligible



Victoria Valencia

LIGHT SEARCH & RESCUE

1. Size-up includes these nine steps: A. Airway, breathing, Gathering facts; Assessing damage; circulation Considering probabilities; B. Time of day ; Establishing C. Resources available priorities; Making decisions; D. Assessing your situation Developing a plan of action; Taking action; and Evaluating progress. A. Focus your efforts on those 2. During search and rescue operations the top priority is always? who are trapped. B. Rescuer safety C. To minimize the time, you are in a damaged building. D. Make sure that no victims are missed. A. cardinal compass points. 3. CERTs describe different locations within and around the structure by B. left, right, front and rear using the _____. nomenclature. C. A, B, C, D standard. D. clock bearing standard. 4. Which of the following is not a A. Group leader standard member of a cribbing team? B. Scribe C. Crib person D. Lever person A. Rectangle cribbing means arranging wood pieces alternately to form a B. Circle stable structure. C. Triangle D. Box



September winners

Victoria Valencia & Erika Froelicher



Crank Radio









firepreventionweek.org







Come join the Menlo Park Fire Protection District celebrating Fire Prevention Week 2022

We will be opening Station 6, the new Schapelhouman Museum and the carriage house.

Come take a ride on Old Tom Fire Engine and have light snacks.

There will be an auction taking place for the Month of October auction items include:

Pizza for 6 at Station 6

Have an Engine Take Your Child to School Day
Engine Company to Deliver a Birthday Gift
Fire Chief for the Day

Stanford Park Hotel - 2-night weekend stay with brunch for up to four

Four Seasons Hotel - 2-night weekend stay with brunch and dinner for two

Park James Hotel - 1-night weekend stay with overnight valet parking and \$150.00 credit to Oak+Violet

Please click the link below to make a bid.

www.one.bidpal.net/menloparkfire

All proceeds benefit the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation www.aarbf.org

Where: Station 6 - 700 Oak Grove Ave. Menlo Park CA 94025

When: October 8, 2022 Time: 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm



Receive up to \$3,000 toward an Earthquake Retrofit

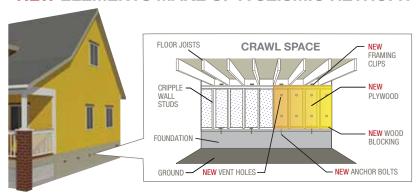
Earthquake Brace + Bolt (EBB) helps homeowners lessen the potential for damage during an earthquake. EBB offers up to \$3,000 toward a code-compliant seismic retrofit for houses that qualify.

A Brace and Bolt Retrofit

In an EBB retrofit, the foundation is bolted, and if there is a cripple wall, it is braced.

- Bolting: adding anchor bolts in the crawl space to help prevent the home from sliding.
- **Bracing**: adding plywood to the cripple walls to stiffen them and help prevent the home from collapsing.

NEW ELEMENTS MAKE UP A SEISMIC RETROFIT



Houses that qualify, typically:

- Are built before 1980 (but are more prevalent before 1940);
- · Have a raised continuous perimeter concrete foundation;
- Sit on level ground or a low-slope; and
- May have wood-framed walls (called cripple walls) in the crawl space under the first floor.

Supplemental Grants Available

EBB is offering a Supplemental Grant to help income-eligible households pay up to 100 percent of the cost to seismically retrofit their homes. Income-eligible is defined as a household with an annual income at or below \$72,080.

Register for EBB:

Go to EarthquakeBraceBolt.com between October 18 and November 29, 2022. Create an online account and answer questions for an opportunity to participate. Participants will be randomly selected.

A permit must not be issued before you have been accepted into the program, and retrofit construction work must not begin before being notified by EBB that your pre-retrofit documents have been approved.



EBB has helped more than 17,000 homeowners seismically retrofit their older house. EBB is working to create more resilient communities, one house at a time.

2022 PROGRAM AREAS*

New program areas for 2022 in red

(*Eligibility is solely based on ZIP Code, not city or neighborhood.)

NORTHERN CA

Alameda Alamo Albany Alviso **Aptos** Arcata **Aromas** Atherton **Bay Point** Bayside Belmont Ben Lomond Benicia Berkeley Blue Lake Bodega Bay **Bolinas** Boulder Creek Brisbane

Burlingame

Campbell

Castro Valley Colma Concord Crescent City Crockett Cupertino Daly City **Danville** Dillon Beach El Cerrito El Sobrante Emeryville Eureka Fairfax Felton Ferndale Fort Bragg Fortuna Foster City Fremont Gilroy

Half Moon Bay Hayward Healdsburg Hillsborough Hollister Inverness La Honda Lafayette Lavtonville Loleta Los Altos Los Gatos McKinleyville Mendocino Menlo Park Mill Valley Millbrae Milpitas Monta Vista Morgan Hill Mount Hamilton

Mountain View Napa Newark Oakland Occidental Orinda Pacifica Palo Alto Penngrove Permanente Petrolia Petaluma Piedmont **Pinole Pittsburg** Pleasanton **Point Reyes** Station Portola Valley Redwood City Redwood Valley Richmond Rio Dell Rodeo **Salinas** San Anselmo San Bruno San Carlos San Francisco San Jose San Juan Bautista San Leandro San Lorenzo San Martin San Mateo San Pablo San Rafael Santa Clara Santa Cruz Santa Rosa Saratoga Sausalito

Scotia Scotts Valley Sebastopol Sonoma Soquel South San Francisco Sunnyvale Sunol **Trinidad** Ukiah Union City Vallejo Walnut Creek Watsonville Willits Windsor Woodside

SOUTHERN CA

Alhambra Altadena Anaheim Arcadia Azusa **Baldwin Hills** Baldwin Park Banning Beaumont Bell Gardens Bellflower Beverly Hills Bloomington Burbank Calimesa Carpintera Carson **Cathedral City Cedarpines Park** Chatsworth Cherry Valley Chino Claremont Coachella Colton Commerce

Corona Coronado Covina Crestline Culver City **Desert Hot Springs** Diamond Bar Dockweiler Downey Duarte Eastvale El Centro El Monte El Segundo Fillmore Firestone Park Fontana **Forest Falls** Frazier Park **Fullerton** Gardena Glendale Glendora Goleta Granada Hills Hawthorne

Hemet Hermosa Beach Highland **Huntington Park** Indio Inglewood Irwindale La Cañada **Flintridge** La Crescenta La Habra La Habra Heights La Verne Lake Arrowhead Lake Balboa Lake Elsinore Lake Los Angeles Lakewood Lancaster Lawndale Leimert Park Leona Valley Littlerock Loma Linda Lomita Long Beach Los Angeles

Lynwood Lvtle Creek Manhattan Beach Maywood Mentone Mission Hills Monrovia Montclair Montebello Montecito Monterey Park Newhall **North Hills** North Hollywood Northridge **Norwalk** Ojai **Ontario** Oxnard Pacific Palisades Pacoima Palm Desert Palm Springs Palmdale Panorama City **Paramount** Pasadena

Pearblossom Pico Rivera Playa Del Rey Pomona **Quartz Hill** Redlands Redondo Beach Reseda Rialto Riverside Rosemead **Running Springs** San Bernardino San Diego San Dimas San Fernando San Gabriel San Jacinto San Marino San Pedro Santa Barbara Santa Clarita Santa Margarita Santa Monica Santa Paula Sherman Oaks Sierra Madre

Simi Valley South El Monte South Gate South Pasadena Sun Valley Sunland Sylmar Taft **Tarzana** Temple City **Torrance** Tuiunga Upland Valley Glen Valley Village Van Nuvs Venice Ventura View Park Walnut Watts West Hollywood Westchester Whittier Wilmington Wrightwood Yucaipa

*For a complete list of 2022 EBB ZIP Codes, go to **EarthquakeBraceBolt.com**



Compton



