

Neighborhood Emergency Team (NET) Questions and possible Answers

Does your NET have the necessary capabilities?

Medical 1st Aid

How and where will you treat common injuries (lacerations, broken bones, head trauma, shock, burns)?

- 1st Aid kits, supplies for bandaging and splinting, clean towels and blankets
- Open level area for rapid triage with easy vehicle access
- Emergency lighting, portable generator
- Shelter with level, accessible floor space where beds, cots, pads and mattresses can be placed

Transportation

How will you transport a seriously injured person to a trauma facility?

- Van or large SUV with space for stretcher (3' x 7' floor space)

How will you navigate off road areas if Lucas Valley Road bridges are impassable?

- 4 wheel drive vehicles with space to transport injured persons

Search and Rescue

How will you rescue persons trapped under heavy debris?

- Heavy pry bars and cribbing material, battery or gas powered saws, hydraulic jacks – Teamwork

How will you transport injured persons to safe areas?

- Blanket or tarp stretcher, wheel barrow, plywood backboard

How will you manage hazardous material spills (flammable liquids, caustic or corrosive chemicals)?

- Sand, cat litter, clay absorbent, flat bladed shovel, chemical-resistant gloves, safety glasses, full face respirator, covered container

Fire Suppression

How will you fight or prevent the spread of structure fires?

- Pressure nozzle and 100' of hose, ladder available outside to access roof level
- Shut off gas to involved/seriously threatened structures

How will you fight fires in the event of water main and/or electrical power failure?

- Engine driven, portable pump, suction and discharge hoses to access available water sources (pool, spa, pond)

Communications

How will you contact neighborhood residents when telephone and internet services are interrupted?

- Door to door check, FRS/GMRS 2-way radio (walkie-talkie) contact

How will you access resources outside your neighborhood?

- FRS/GMRS 2-way radio (walkie-talkie) contact with LVHA Emergency Operations Center
- Runner, bicycle or vehicle messenger to LVHA Emergency Operations Center at Dixie School or LVCC
- HAM radio contact with Marin Co and other available resources

Children

How will you care for neighborhood children whose parents are unable to return to the community?

- Secure, stable shelter where activities can be easily monitored, ready access to food and water
- Materials for writing and drawing, collecting information to contact extended family

Pets

How will you care for neighbors' pets if they are unable to return to the community?

- Secure yard, segregated areas for non-compatible animals, cage/carrier and food available for each pet
- Containers for serving water and food, plastic bags for waste
- Battery backup power for oxygen/temperature controlled environments (aquarium, terrarium)

How will you capture and handle frightened pets that are not familiar with you?

- Thick, long leather gloves, muzzles, collars and leashes, throw and pole nets, canvas bags, catch-poles, snares, animal graspers