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District 4C4
Disaster
Preparedness
Emergency Response
& Assistance



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Why Should We Be Prepared?

As California Lions committed to our motto of “We Serve” we want to support our friends, neighbors and community Not only on a daily basis but during disastrous events that may occur.

A basic tenant of emergency response is that in order to help others, we must be prepared ourselves so we are free to look outward.

Please take advantage of training and preparedness information so that when the emergency occurs, you are not a victim.

Communication is KEY! When a disaster occurs in your area, mobilize your and neighboring clubs to assist, notify your Lions Chain of Command, Zone, Region, VDG, District Governor so the District Disaster Preparedness committee can respond to assist.

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We live with California Hazards

- ❖ Earthquakes
- ❖ Fires
- ❖ Floods
- ❖ Heat Waves
- ❖ Droughts
- ❖ Power Outages
- ❖ Civil Unrest
- ❖ And let's not forget
- ❖ Pandemics

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Goals of the District 4C4 Disaster Preparedness Program



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- ❖ Provide training and tools for district officers to operate in a disaster.
- ❖ Continue open communication with our disaster response partners;
 - ❖ Red Cross, S.M. Co. Office of Emergency Services, Local Partners.
- ❖ Organize a resource list of individual Lions clubs resources. (BBQ, Equipment,etc)
- ❖ Assist & encourage individual Lions to become trained & prepared for emergencies.
- ❖ Provide a template for notification and response requests from clubs to the DG
- ❖ Provide guidelines for Lions response and staffing of emergency facilities.



Responsibilities of the District 4C4 Officers



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District Governor

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- ❖ Support the efforts of the disaster preparedness committee.
 - ❖ Training Classes, Record Keeping, Budget Support if needed.
- ❖ Insure that the district officers are aware of and support the program.
 - ❖ VDG's, Region, Zone Chairs
- ❖ Coordinate district response to any disaster occurring in the district.
 - ❖ Consider aid and response to neighboring districts.
- ❖ Support the committee in responding to disasters, media relations,
utilize the VDG's and impacted region & zone chairs.



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Vice District Governor's

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- ❖ Support the efforts of the disaster preparedness committee.
 - ❖ Act in the capacity of the District Governor in their absence.
- ❖ Assist the District Governor in supporting the efforts of the Lions impacted.
 - ❖ Utilize long –term planning to anticipate needs.
- ❖ Support the committee in interviewing clubs and lions after the event
to develop a report to the District on the effectiveness of our efforts
and opportunities for improvement.



Responsibilities of the District 4C4 Officers



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Region Chairs

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- ❖ Support the efforts of the disaster preparedness committee.
- ❖ Assist your Zone Chairs in identifying club resources.
 - ❖ (BBQ's, other Equipment, trained personnel)
- ❖ Assist the Disaster Chair or his designate with coordinating the efforts of the Zone Chairs, clubs and individuals responding to the disaster.
- ❖ Maintain open communication with your Zone Chairs throughout the event.
- ❖ Assist the Zone Chairs with staffing and rotation plans.
- ❖ Participate in the after-action report



Responsibilities of the District 4C4 Officers

Zone Chairs



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- ❖ Support the efforts of the disaster preparedness committee.
- ❖ Within 90 days of your term starting, poll your club resources. (Zone Meeting)
 - ❖ (BBQ's, other Equipment, emergency trained personnel)
 - ❖ Report the information to the Disaster Chair
- ❖ Assist the Disaster Chair or his designate with coordinating the efforts of the clubs and individuals responding to the disaster.
- ❖ Maintain open communication with your clubs throughout the event.
- ❖ Assist the clubs with staffing and rotation plans.
- ❖ Participate in the after-action report



Responsibilities of the District 4C4 Officers

Club Team Leaders (President in absence of TL)



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- ❖ Support the efforts of the disaster preparedness committee.
- ❖ Within 90 days of your term starting, poll your club resources.
 - ❖ (BBQ's, other Equipment, emergency trained personnel)
 - ❖ Report the information to the Zone Chair
- ❖ Coordinate the efforts of the club and individuals responding to the disaster.
- ❖ Communicate with district leadership & your members throughout the event.
- ❖ Assist members with staffing and rotation plans.
- ❖ Participate in the after-action report



Examples of Club Resources that may be available during a disaster:

- ❖ Mobile Barbeques
- ❖ Trailers with tables and chairs
- ❖ Cases of water
- ❖ Food Preparation materials
- ❖ Food Dispensing materials
 - ❖ Utensils, plates, etc.
- ❖ Sleeping Materials
 - ❖ Cots, Motor Homes, etc
- ❖ First Aid Materials
- ❖ Available trained personnel
 - ❖ CPR, First Aid, CERT, HAM Radio operators
- ❖ Untrained labor



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Examples of training that may be available before a disaster:

- ❖ CPR – Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation
- ❖ AED – Guardian Angel Program
- ❖ Red Cross First Aid
- ❖ Red Cross Psychological First Aid
- ❖ CERT – Community Emergency Response Team
 - ❖ Identify Liasons, Become a CERT Member etc.
- ❖ Amateur Radio
 - ❖ HAMS, FRS –GMRS handheld radios.
- ❖ Red Cross Shelter Operations
- ❖ Red Cross Safe Food Preparation.
 - ❖ Follow Health Department Guidelines
- ❖ Local Emergency Operations Center locations.



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CERT – Community Emergency Response Teams



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CERT Members are utilized during exercises and emergencies to assist their friends and neighbors after a disaster.

The Course includes:

- ❖ Disaster Preparedness
- ❖ Fire Safety
- ❖ Disaster Medical Operations
- ❖ Light Search & Rescue Operations
- ❖ Disaster Psychology & Team Organization
- ❖ Terrorism
- ❖ A Final Exercise

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Thank You !

More forms and information is available
on the District 4c4 website.



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