

Join the Metchosin Emergency Program for our continued series of **FREE INFORMATION SESSIONS** – focusing on **Emergency Preparedness in Metchosin**



MARK YOUR 2019 CALENDARS:


January 15
HOME FIRE SAFETY –
 Fire Extinguisher Training!
 Basic fire safety begins at home, where a little bit of planning can go a long way towards protecting your loved ones and preventing damage to your property.




February 19
FIRE SMART –
 We have all heard about how Fire Smarting your home can significantly reduce the risk of a brush fire destroying your home. Come learn the basic principles and how you can apply them to your property.



March 19
NEIGHBORHOOD RAPID DAMAGE ASSESSMENT -
 Following an earthquake, it may be some time before officials are able to inspect buildings in your neighbourhood. This program is designed to allow you to help your neighbours by identifying those buildings that are UNSAFE to enter.




April 16
GROUP LODGING -




People forced from their homes in an emergency may be directed to group lodging facilities when commercial lodging is either not appropriate or unavailable. Group lodging is a safe place where people can go to sleep, eat and receive care.

May 21
TSUNAMI PREPAREDNESS -
 Let's talk about the risk within the Metchosin area and what to do if there is a tsunami threat, or how you will know if there is a Tsunami coming. We will review the provincial Alerts and notification you can register for.




June 18
UTILITIES (Gas, Hydro, Water) -




After a disaster, what can we expect here in our rural area for response from utility resources – how resilient are the lines that feed our district with water & gas and what strategies can we put in place to coordinate quick safety measures.


July 16
WEATHER FOR DUMMIES –
 Ever wonder how a 'high pressure ridge' will affect the weather for the week, or what is a "BUI" and why is it important to know. Why doesn't the fire danger rating change after it rains? We'll bring in the experts – you come ask the questions!



August 20
DISASTER RECOVERY –
 Recovery means a coordinated set of actions designed to reduce the effects of disaster. A recovery program implies a deliberate effort to forestall and overcome the adverse impacts of a disaster. In recovery, a rural community and its inhabitants consciously and collectively act to limit losses and reduce suffering.



September 17
EVACUATIONS –




Explore how fires, floods or other emergencies may require evacuating areas of our community. Learn how we organize an evacuation, map and sector the community, share public information messages and consider transportation issues and determine re-entry procedures.

October 15
DISASTERS OF 2018 –



Though we don't have a complete list of speakers yet, we will have folks who were either affected by recent disasters within our Province, or those who worked with them. Stay tuned for more details!

November 19
RADIOS & TECHNOLOGY: How to use them –
 So much to know and understand about communication & technology and how they work. This session will help you understand the basics & provide an opportunity to actually talk on a radio, computer or satellite phone if you've never tried before!



If you have any questions about these information sessions, please feel free to give us a call:
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Door Prize at Every Session!

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