

Emergency Preparedness Outreach MNAC Overview

Bellingham Fire Department
Office of Emergency Management



Our Local Hazards

- Earthquake-Tsunami
- Severe winter storm
- Seasonal flooding ★
- Volcano
- *What else?* ☀

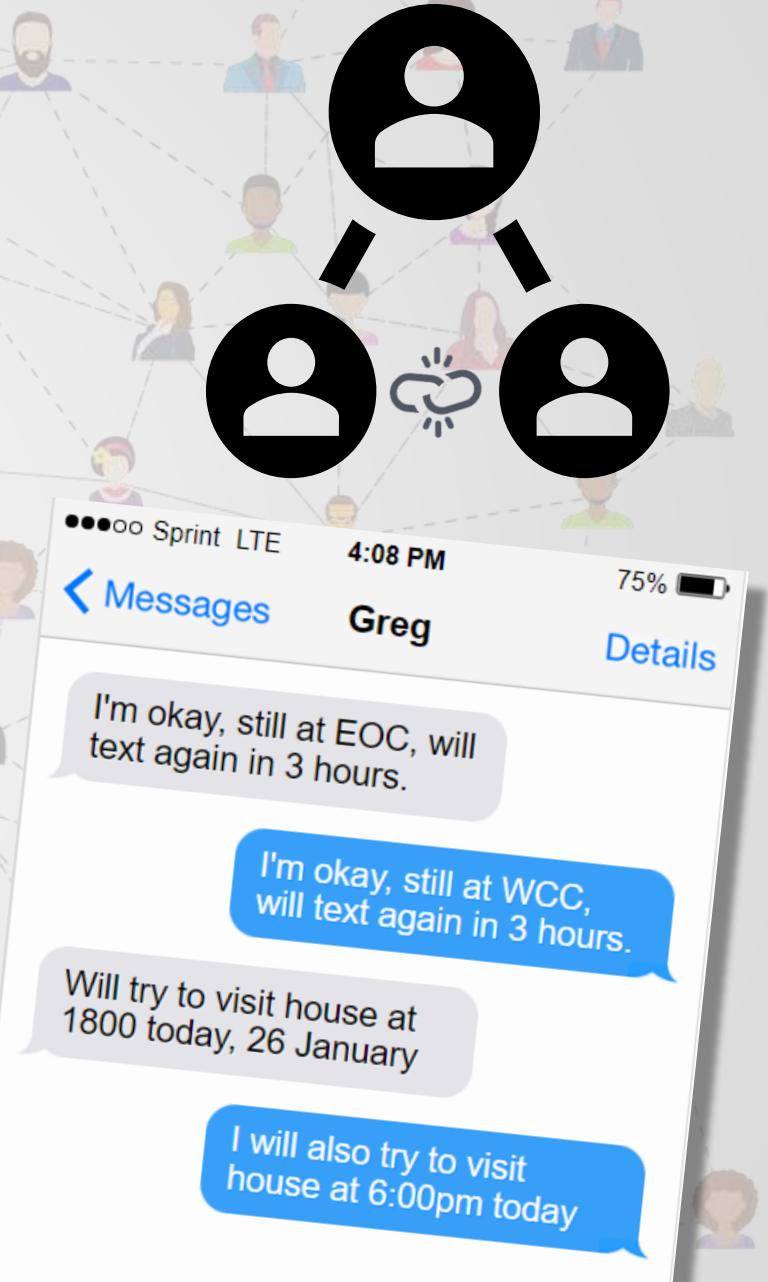
Impacts and Environment

- Toileting may be limited, may be rudimentary
- Water may be in short supply
- Electricity impacts lighting, communications, heating, refrigeration, entertainment
- Transportation impacts basic supplies, evacuation, reunification
- Debris impacts living conditions, health, transportation, working on ground or floor



Plans and Expectations

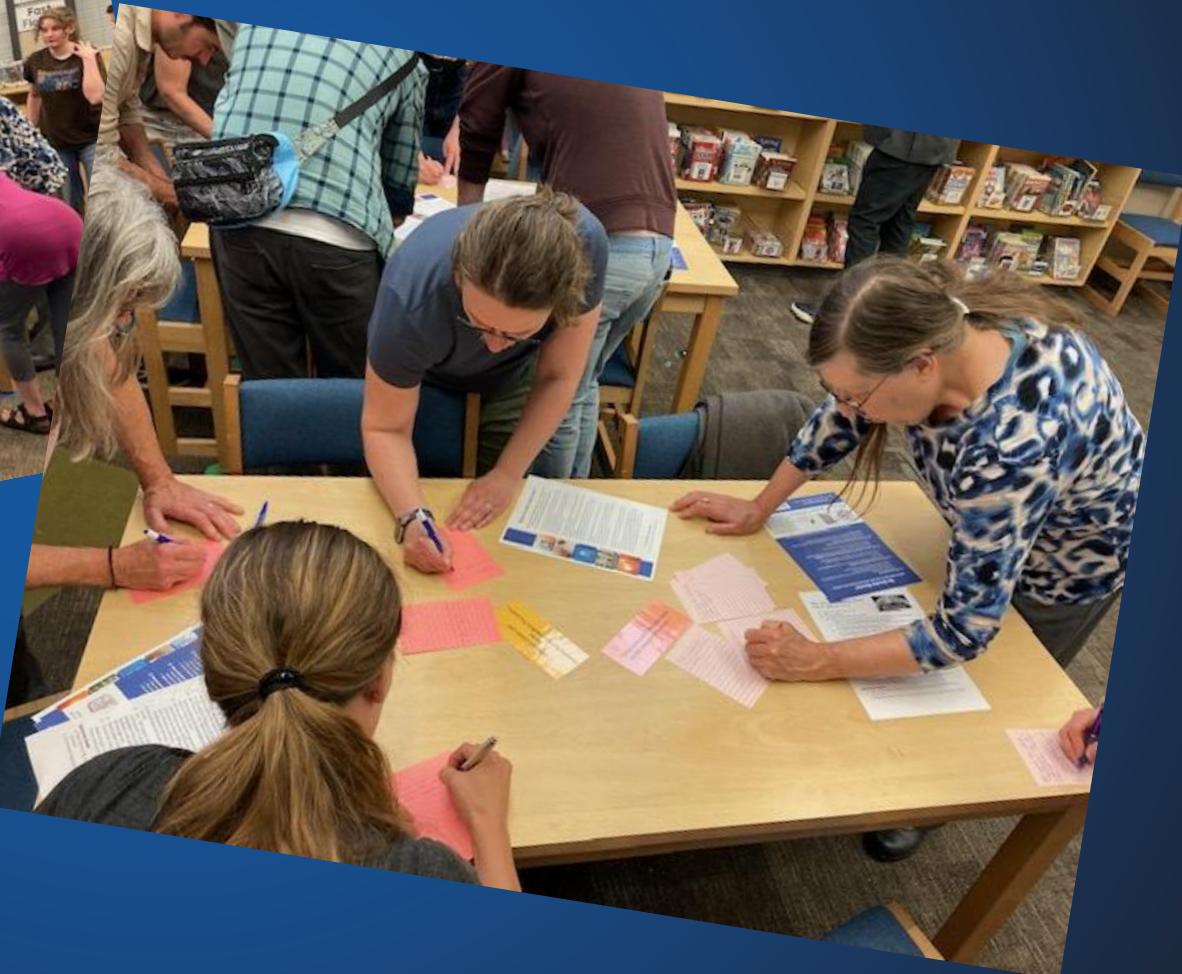
- Communication Plan
- Reunification Plan
- Financial Plan-Insurance
- Discuss and manage expectations for all members of the household and out of area contacts



Two Weeks Ready

- Preparing to shelter in place (*think back to the beginning of the pandemic*)
- Preparing for the entire household
- The shopping is often the easy part (*but not for everyone*)





Neighborhood
resilience
group activity

By the Numbers in 2025

Focus	Total Events	Total Contacts
Elder Preparedness	13	148
Residential Preparedness	27	674
Tsunami Awareness	3	438
Workplace Preparedness	10	118
Youth Preparedness	4	545

Totals as of October 14

Projected total events: 67

Projected total contacts: 2,100

Outreach in the Community in 2025

- Bellingham Public Library (monthly)
- Bellingham Senior Activity Center (monthly)
- Bellingham Kids Fest (August)
- Safe Kids Whatcom County (August)
- Bellingham SeaFeast (September)
- Great WA ShakeOut (October)

Serving our Neighborhoods in 2025

- Birchwood
- Columbia
- Cordata
- Cornwall Park
- Lettered Streets
- Sunnyland
- York
- Festival Square
- James Street Estates
- Parkway Village Apartments
- Woodrose Senior Apartments



On 10/16 at 10:16 AM all tsunami sirens will be tested with the **actual wailing sound**.

Squalicum Harbor
Cruise Terminal
11 more along Whatcom
County Shoreline



*Thank you for the opportunity to
serve our community in 2025!*

