

Congregational Disaster Preparedness, Response, Recovery

Who We Are

The Peninsula Clergy Network (PCN) is an association of all clergy in San Mateo and northern Santa Clara Counties which builds knowledge, understanding and working relationships. The PCN provides increased interaction between clergy and civic leaders and within the communities they jointly serve.

The Challenge: Preparation and Response

Recent studies show that less than ten percent of the Bay Area's population is prepared for a disaster. Preparedness is not about being fearful. An emergency could occur at any time, and congregations have the power to assist our community to be safer and more prepared.

Your Congregation

Your congregation can become part of the solution. The PCN and coordinating congregations are working with community institutions to enhance disaster preparedness for all individuals on the Peninsula. The goals are to increase the number of households with disaster plans and supplies and serve as a response center for individuals between the time of a disaster and the availability of broad community resources. The PCN has developed the master plan with the San Mateo County Office of Emergency Services, the Bay Area Red Cross and other agencies in accordance with county and state-wide plans. There is a role for your congregation by becoming part of this plan. You will make an impact in your community and contribute to this unique plan which serves as a national model.

The Opportunity

There are great resources in your congregation ready to help households and respond in the event of a disaster: talented people and available facilities. When congregations become involved with the PCN Congregational Disaster Preparation and Response Team, they will have access to support, supplies and information from local agencies, and you will serve your congregation and your local community in the event of a disaster.

Find out how your congregation can support this process by partnering with the Peninsula Clergy Network, The San Mateo County Office of Emergency Services and The American Red Cross Bay Area Chapter.