BEVERLY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM -C.E.R.T-

BEVERLY HILLS, December 2021.

Dear CERT volunteers, this newsletter marks the conclusion of the weekly delivery and the beginning of your monthly updates. COVID-19, emergency preparedness, disaster preparedness, financial preparedness, pet preparedness, evacuation and sheltering preparedness were a few of the topics brought to you. At the same time, we held virtual refreshers and last month we were able to meet in-person since March 2020.

The vision for 2022 is to continue our preparation as a community able and capable to respond before, during and after an emergency or natural disaster; carry on with the formation of our CERT Callout Team and further their training through FEMA on-line courses, reinstate our bimonthly in-person refreshers and count with the participation of you, the volunteers in the upcoming JUST IN CASE BH activities.

We are also happy to announce the formation of TEEN CERT with students from BHHS and our community youth. If you want your teenagers to participate, please sign up at cert@beverlyhills.org subject line TEEN CERT.

Lastly, I want to express my gratitude for all your support and constant communication with your CERT program, instructors & fire personnel we want to wish you and your loved ones Happy Holidays and a safe and prosperous 2022.

Neighbors helping neighbors.

Gabriel Mier
BHFD-CERT Coordinator
Dear Beverly Hills Neighbor.

The Beverly Hills Police Department would like to remind and encourage people to utilize some crime prevention measures that can help reduce their risk of falling prey to crimes against persons, such as robbery. While money is often the motivation, these are crimes of violence because they involve the threat or actual use of physical violence. The basic rules of prevention are to be sensible and to be alert.

Always trust your instincts: Trusting your own instincts that a situation seems “wrong” can be the best personal safety tool you have.

Situational Awareness:

- Walk or travel with a purpose: Project an assertive image that conveys you know where you are going.
- Keeping a safe distance by not allowing individuals to get too close, even if they appear to have a reason, such as asking for the time.
- Remember listening to music, or talking on your cell phone can significantly limit your awareness, which may make it easier for a potential suspect to catch you off guard.
- When traveling home in your vehicle (locked doors), pay attention to your surroundings such as vehicles that may appear to be following you. If you suspect this is occurring, immediately notify the Police Department of this activity, change your direction of travel and drive to your local Law Enforcement Station.
- When arriving home to your residence, visually assess (look around) your property before stopping and exiting your vehicle. If you sense or see something out of the ordinary, remain in your vehicle and drive away, while reporting this to your local Law Enforcement agency.
- Please report any suspicious activity by calling 9-1-1 or the non-emergency dispatch number, 310-550-4951
UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ZONE 2
North of Sunset, East of Beverly Dr. / Coldwater Cyn.

January 8, 9:30 am Community Walk: Meet at Coldwater Canyon Park. 1100 N. Beverly Dr.

January 11, 3:00 pm Virtual Meeting (Zoom):
https://beverlyhills-org.zoom.us/my/bevfd

Meeting ID: 894 343 8198
Passcode: 90210
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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR ZONE 1
North of Sunset, West of Beverly Dr. / Coldwater Cyn.

January 29, 9:30 am Community Walk: Meet at BH Women’s Club. 1700 Chevy Chase Dr.

February 1, 3:00 pm Virtual Meeting (Zoom):
https://beverlyhills-org.zoom.us/my/bevfdd

Meeting ID: 894 343 8198
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Are you prepared for a major emergency or disaster? In a major disaster the Fire and Police Department may be delayed in their response. It may take up to 72 hours for a response for medical care depending on the severity of the event. What if someone on your block was trained to help bring families and neighbors together in an emergency? Maybe you want to be that person…

This important city-wide program brings residents together before, during, and after an emergency. **JUST IN CASE BH** is for you!

JUST IN CASE BH helps to create a neighborhood of Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) trained neighbors, access to doctors, medical supplies, and a central location for supplies of food and water. The program will also supply Block Captains with a way of communication during power and internet outages.

**We need all CERTs to join this network of residents throughout our city who can support each other until Fire and Police are able to respond. Get involved, localize your Zone and register!**

For timely emergency and disaster information, please visit [www.beverlyhills.org/disaster](http://www.beverlyhills.org/disaster)

To join the Beverly Hills Neighborhood Watch please visit [BHPD Neighborhood Watch Program](http://www.beverlyhills.org/disaster)

**WHAT'S MY ZONE? CLICK TO FIND OUT**

The **JUST IN CASE BH** program is offering CPR books and emergency kits through [Beverly Hills CPR](http://www.beverlyhills.org/disaster) Automated External Defibrillator, AED can be purchased for any home or facility. **Stop The Bleed** kits are also available for purchase as well.
WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN CALLING 9-1-1

1. Where did the incident occur?
2. When did it happen?
3. What happened?*
4. Who was involved?
5. Are there any weapons involved?

 Dispatchers will ask you the following questions when you call in...

6. What is the description of the vehicles or persons involved?
7. Is anyone injured?
8. Is medical attention needed? Dispatchers will provide medical instruction if needed.
9. Caller's name, address, and phone number.

Although it may seem like dispatchers are asking a lot of questions, they must do so to provide the utmost safety to our community and responding officers.

*Once we have the nature of the call and the location, the police will already be on their way.
How to Report Suspicious Activity

Public safety and security is everyone's responsibility. If you see suspicious activity, report it to local law enforcement or a person of authority using the “5W’s”:

- **WHO** did you see
- **WHAT** did you see
- **WHEN** you saw it
- **WHERE** it occurred
- **WHY** it’s suspicious

It is very important to dial 9-1-1 when an emergency is in progress, misinformation is going around the community encouraging to dial the non-emergency phone numbers to reach faster assistance, this is not true and in fact your call will be placed as a non-emergency event.
The Beverly Hills Police Department and the Beverly Hills City Council invite you to a

**TOWN HALL**
With New Police Chief Mark G. Stainbrook

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021**

**IN-PERSON MEETING**
11AM-12PM
Civic Center, Civic Center Plaza
464 N. Rexford
OUTDOOR EVENT

**VIRTUAL MEETING**
1PM-2PM
or
www.beverlyhills.org/BHPDTownHall

This meeting can be viewed at BHTV Channel 10 on Spectrum Cable or www.beverlyhills.org/live

If you would like to submit your questions ahead of time, please email BHPDTownHall@beverlyhills.org

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**Wildfire Evacuation & Outdoor Warning System Community Meeting**

**Please Join Us Virtually**
Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at 10 a.m. &
Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 6 p.m.
(Agenda will be the same for both meetings)

**IN-PERSON SIREN DEMONSTRATION:**
Monday, December 13, 2021 at 4 p.m.
Rodbury Park

Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 10 a.m.
Greystone Mansion

**VIRTUAL LOG-IN INFORMATION**
TO WATCH: beverlyhills.org/live
(either channel 10 or channel 35)

TO COMMENT:
beverlyhills-org.zoom.us/meeting/community
(Passcode: 90210)

For more information, visit beverlyhills.org/firesirenmeeting
The BHFD-CERT is actively looking for volunteers to join the Callout Team to have an active participation within the training acquired. Please sign up at cert@beverlyhills.org subject line: COT Thank you to the CERT volunteers who already signed up!
If you have questions, comments or concerns about the CERT program, please contact us at cert@beverlyhills.org or visit the website at http://www.beverlyhills.org/departments/firedepartment/cert/web.jsp

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Beverly Hills Community Connect Find out more about Los Angeles County Community Connect, brought to you by the Beverly Hills Fire Department. Together, Building a Safer Community Through Prevention, Preparedness & Response.

Respectfully,
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