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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday December 29, 2014 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm

New Horizons, 15725 Parthenia Street North Hills, CA 91343 (Small Conference Room)

- 1 Members present: Dave Brown, Carol Hart, Armando Diaz, Absent: Ann Van Nada
Quorum is established at 3 of 4 at 640 PM

- 2 General Comments:
 - Malasadas, origin, preparation
 - Active Shooter scenario training(s)
 - Group home - Sober living houses in residential areas
 - Pet issues
 - Community Police Academy 8 week presentation/ course,
consecutive Thursdays at Davis Training Center, past the Odyssey Restaurant
 - Contact your Senior Lead Officer for signup (free)

- 4A Events: 7th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair at Fire Station 87 on Balboa
Which as it is within our Neighborhood Council border, we are the host NC
Each year attendance has increased. A multi Neighborhood Council (11) event
With significant Volunteer support from many Agencies, Groups, and Individuals
All vendors and events except the Community Room presentations
Were held in the large parking lot to the east behind the Station
Future proposals include more hands on demonstrations and trainings
Attendees were most responsive to new Neighborhood Watch signs
As well as anything to do with Pets: safety, emergency preparation, etc
Oct 3rd 2015 tentative date for next event
- B CPAB (Community Police Advisory Board)
 - LAPD Devonshire CPAB meets bimonthly, next meeting is Dec 21st at 7 PM
 - Mission Hills CPAB meets monthly also on 3rd Wed, all are welcome
 - CPAB is successful as a group effort, not run by 1 person or an executive board
 - But by the contribution and active participation of all involved
 - C Neighborhood Watch (NW) Program(s):
 - The best free first step in becoming informed and prepared
 - New replacement signs are currently being installed within our boundary
 - Old tired or damaged NW signs will be removed
 - Obtain Comstat hot spots from SLOs for potential sign placement

- 5A Outreach & Recruitment
 - NW Block Captains & Team Members
 - Contact nwatch@nhwnc.net for additional information
 - Nextdoor "Citizen Reporters"
 - B LAFD: 1 free smoke detector per household program still in effect
Can the Neighborhood Council additionally support this ?
Perhaps distribute at meetings?
Source & cost information to be obtained
 - C LAPD: Work with our Senior Lead Officers (SLO), to address chronic areas
including graffiti, illegal dumping, street racing, etc
VST (Volunteer Surveillance Team) potential for involvement in some of these areas
VST Devonshire has fielded a Rapid Response Team, and is starting a Bicycle Team

S.O.L.I.D. is the 501(c)3 non profit that supports LAPD

D Map Your Neighborhood & LA City 5Step Program

Both free to neighbors, to aid in preparing for a significant disruption of service(s)

The Neighborhood Council and other organizations fully support ongoing implementation,
e especially as to incorporating CERT training.

Carry forward to next meeting

E Neighborhood lighting: report dead street lights asap

Large variety of affordable emergency lighting products at sosproducts.com

6A Announcement: Our new Neighborhood Prosecutor Alin Sahagian is now at Devonshire
She can bring multi-jurisdictional resources to bear upon neighborhood problems

B The critical importance of having at least one fire extinguisher, and know how to use it
SOS (SurvivalProducts.com) is presenting their new class list for 2015

Upcoming CERT classes

FRS (Family Radio Service) walkie talkie radios

After a significant "Event": earthquake, wind storm, solar storm, anything that results
in a prolonged power disruption. The likely means of obtaining information will be
direct word of mouth or radios. The FRS radios are an excellent inexpensive short range
means of communication (battery powered) can be charged
off a small RV solar panel also

7 HOT TOPIC: video surveillance cameras

There have been countless cases where folks purchase and install

A video surveillance system AFTER they have a crime occur

We reviewed several systems, including product from Drop Cam and GoPro,

As well as a traditional Lorex 4 camera system recently installed by Patrick Santos,
who described the install, and results, including showing the cameras feeds
on his phone, while at the meeting.

This is a DIY project for most people. Cost under \$300.

Send an email to nwatch@nhwnc.net for more information

Meeting adjourned at 835 PM