

**You Are the Help Until Help Arrives!**

Have you made your 2018 New Year’s Resolutions yet? For one of your resolutions, consider completing training to be that person who doesn’t feel they have to sit on the sidelines believing there is nothing they can do to help, but instead can jump into action and potentially save a life! **You Are The Help Until Help Arrives**, designed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), are trainings that can be taken on-line or in-person, where participants learn to take action and through simple steps can potentially save a life before professional help arrives. The program encourages the public to take these five steps when there is an emergency.

- 1) Call 911;
- 2) Protect the injured from harm;
- 3) Stop bleeding;
- 4) Position the injured so they can breath; and
- 5) Provide comfort.



Life threatening emergencies can happen fast. Emergency responders aren’t always nearby. According to a recent National Academies of Science study, trauma is the leading cause of death for Americans under the age of 46. Life-threatening injuries require immediate action to prevent an injured person from dying. Those nearest to someone with life threatening injuries are best positioned to provide first care. Give Public Works a call at 503.982.9429 if you’re interested in more information!

**If You See Something, Say Something!** It’s easy to take for granted the routine moments in our everyday life, going to work or school, the grocery store or gas station. But your everyday is different than your neighbor’s, filled with moments that make it uniquely yours. So if you see something you know shouldn’t be there—or someone’s behavior doesn’t seem quite right—say something. Only you know what’s supposed to be in your everyday. Informed, alert communities play a critical role in keeping our communities safe!

**Be in the Know Before, During and After an Emergency:** Sign up for emergency alerts through Metcom! During an incident—communication becomes especially critical. Give Public Works a call at 503.982.9429 and we’ll help you get set up!

**Lessons Learned—Courtesy of OEM:** November 11, 2000 155 people, mostly skiers, are killed when the cable car taking them to the top of Kitzsteinhorn Glacier near Kaprun, Austria for a day of skiing catches fire inside a tunnel. The fire caused safety mechanisms to stop the cable car inside of the tunnel; however, the doors to the car would not open. 12 people managed to escape through a broken window in the back of the car. Eventually, the doors were opened, but the skiers escaping the flames went up the tunnel, which acted like a chimney, and those people suffocated or were burned to death. Two people aboard a second cable car that was entering the top of the tunnel when the fire began also died from smoke inhalation. 8 of those killed were Americans and the fire also claimed the life of German Olympic skier Sandra Schmitt. **Lessons Learned:** The fire was determined to have been caused by a space heater that had not been intended for installation in a moving vehicle. Heat from the fan ignited hydraulic oil, causing the conflagration. This tragedy underscores the importance of correctly using potentially dangerous household appliances like space heaters. Make sure to use space heaters (or any appliance) in accordance to the manufacturer’s instructions and keep heaters away from combustible materials like bedding, furniture, plants, or curtains. Visit the National Fire Protection Association for more information.

**Water Master Plan Update Pro-**

**ject:** The City received a \$20,000 grant from Oregon Business Development Department (Business Oregon) towards the completion of this project. Requests for proposals are being drafted. Staff looks forward to completing this project.

**Heavy Rains—Need Sand??** During heavy rains Public Works provides self-serve sand and sandbags, located at the City Shop—3652 1st Street.

**So Really, Why Do We Put Dog Poop In Those Little Plastic Baggies?**

- ◇ Our neighbors like us to
- ◇ It makes our dogs feel important
- ◇ It keeps poop from being washed into the storm drains

If you selected all of the above, then it’s “two-paws up” for you!

Truth is, most of us pick up after our dogs as a courtesy to our neighbors.



Plus it makes that backyard BBQ or walk in the park all the more enjoyable. BUT there is another important reason to pick up after your pet: WATER. When pet waste is left behind, it washes into storm drains and ditches. From there, it heads straight to your local streams and rivers. No filters, no cleansing. Swimming anyone? Help protect water quality everywhere! Stoop, Scoop and Drop those little baggies into the trash. Then give yourself a nice “pat” . . . you deserve it! 😊

**Public Works After Hours Incidents**

For after-hour incidents please call 503.982.2340, Metcom’s non-emergency number and they can contact the on-call public works staff.

**Knowledge and preparation are your best defense and are your responsibility! For more information on EMERGENCY PLANNING, call Public Works at 503.982.9429, or visit our website at [www.cityofhubbard.org](http://www.cityofhubbard.org).**

