

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COORDINATOR

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	EVACUATION DRILL SURVEY RESULTS	LAKE DRIVE BLOCK PARTY	LAKE DRIVE BLOCK PARTY
		MAY 22 2022	AUG 2 2022
The CWS phone number added to mobile phone contacts.	45.7%	75%	86%
Registered with CWS for emergency alerts.	96.1%	87.5%	86%
Go Bag packed and accessible for the upcoming fire season.	67.7%	75%	77%
Emergency supplies for shelter in place at home.	67.4%	93.8%	86%
Reunification plan or a meeting place established with friends/family for emergencies.	55.1%	56.3% 19 RESP.	66% 35 RESP.



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### **Kensington Preparedness Month**

The Kensington Fire Protection District is promoting National Preparedness Month with its own theme this year. Our ongoing commitment to improving basic emergency preparedness for all Kensington residents will take priority over FEMA's annual campaign. Kensington will focus on improving basic preparedness in 5 core areas that were identified in a poll during the April Kensington Evacuation Drill.

After the April 2022 Kensington Evacuation Drill, residents participated in a survey that provided feedback regarding their emergency preparedness efforts. This data revealed five areas that Kensington residents should focus on to improve their emergency preparedness and disaster resiliency for Kensington overall.

These five areas of basic preparedness are:



1. Register with Contra Costa County Community Warning System. Register by visiting www.cwsalerts.com or calling 925-655-0111.



2. Add the CWS Alert phone number to your mobile phone contacts. Save 925-655-0195 as "Emergency Alert (CWS)" or scan the QR code.



3. Pack and update an evacuation Go Bag and have it readily accessible. Use the KFPD Wildfire Preparedness Workbook as a packing guide. Visit www.kensingtonfire.org/workbook to access the digital version.



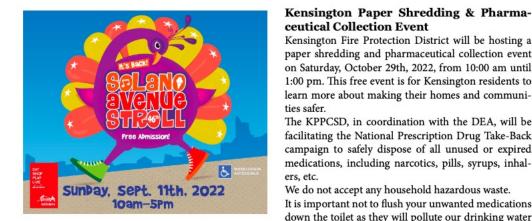
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4. Start storing emergency supplies and water for disasters and sheltering in place. Take advantage of CERT Emergency Water Tanks Sales. Sign up to be notified sales by visiting www.kensingtonfire.org/interestlist.



5. Establish a communication plan with friends and family to account for being separated during an emergency. Use the downloadable guide by visiting www.kensingtonfire.org/prepare and clicking the item for



### Solano Avenue Stroll

The Kensington Fire Protection District and Fire Department will participate in the opening ceremony for the Solano Avenue Stroll on September 11th, starting at 10:00 am. This year, the Solano Avenue Association has changed the annual parade to a "micro parade" for a limited number of participants. Kensington Fire will be one of only 25 organizations featured in this cere-

Since 1974 Solano Avenue and the twin-cities of Albany and Berkeley CA, have hosted the Solano Avenue Stroll, the East Bay's largest street festival! The Solano Avenue Association invites you to see what makes Solano Avenue a wonderful place. We feature over four hundred vendors including 50 entertainers, 25 food booths, 100 government and non-profit agencies, 100

artisans, jewelers, makers, and much more! 100,000 participants and event guests visit from all over northern California, and beyond.

This family event promotes the unique traits of Solano Avenue, helping independently-owned businesses, artists, and community organizations to thrive by exposure and fundraising.

For more information, visit www.solanostroll.org.

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Kensington Paper Shredding & Pharma

Kensington Fire Protection District will be hosting a paper shredding and pharmaceutical collection event

on Saturday, October 29th, 2022, from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm. This free event is for Kensington residents to

The KPPCSD, in coordination with the DEA, will be facilitating the National Prescription Drug Take-Back campaign to safely dispose of all unused or expired medications, including narcotics, pills, syrups, inhal-

down the toilet as they will pollute our drinking water

For more information about this event, please visit the

KFPD website: www.kensingtonfire.org.

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tion to his firefighting career, Chief

Saylors is an author, pilot, and an educator. "I am hum bled by the opportunity to join the team at El Cerrito. I look forward to continuing the department's legacy and building the nation's most innovative and effective fire department" said Chief Saylors.

Chief Saylors holds a Bachelors in Business Management from California State University, Sacramento, a Masters in Security Studies from the Naval Postgraduate School, and is currently pursuing his Doctorate in Leadership and Organizational Change from the University of Southern California (USC).

Chief Saylors is a nationally recognized expert in active shooter training, fire service metrics, leadership, and succession planning. The National Fire Academy utilizes many of his published articles to instruct future



### Kensington and Berkeley Collaborate Cerrito Canvon Concerns

Berkeley Fire Department personnel Kevin Revilla and Dan Green came to Kensington to meet with Kensington Fire Protection District's Emergency Preparedness Coordi nator Johnny Valenzuela for a walk through Cerrito Can-

Berkeley Fire Department has expressed interest in establishing an interagency Firewise community that joins Kensington and Berkeley to address the concerns of wild-

fire risk and vegetation abatement for Cerrito Canyon. Both fire departments are looking for community members in Kensington and Berkeley to help pave the way to establishing Firewise communities in our part of the East

Our team of Firewise volunteers will be valuable partners that coordinate with the fire departments and their neighbors to be friendly, approachable ambassadors.

To learn more about Firewise communities and how you can play a part in making Kensington Firewise, visit: https://kensingtonfire.org/cerritocanyonfirewise

### El Cerrito/Kensington CERT Water Storage and Fire Extinguisher Sale

El Cerrito/Kensington CERT, in partnership with Lamon inda CERT, conducted a sale for emergency water storage and fire extinguishers in August. This sale promotes emer gency preparedness, specifically for earthquakes impacting water supply infrastructure.

Residents are stocking up on potable water for emergencies, and the kits sold contain supplies for water treatment and long-term storage. Through these sales, it's possible to buy containers ranging from 2.5 gallons to 55-gallon drums. To stay informed of these sales, you can register by visiting www.kensingtonfire.org/supplysale. Look for the

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS







