



## Let's Talk Disaster Resilience

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During 2019, the South Tillamook County Emergency Volunteer Corps (South County EVC) made considerable progress preparing our community for any natural disaster. Much of our success is highlighted on our website. However, as always, there is a lot more work to do.

Here are our major 2020 goals:

- *Launch a Family CERT program in March. Through this program we can give individuals the skills to care for themselves, their families and their neighborhoods. Preparedness always begins with the individual.*
- *Train more neighborhood captains who can be conduits for information in all our neighborhoods.*
- *Increase the number of GMRS radios and HAMs throughout South County.*
- *Initiate a Teen CERT Program this Spring in the Nestucca Valley High School. Through this program we will be preparing our future leaders on disaster preparedness.*
- *Host on Saturday, April 25 our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair at the Hebo Fire Station.*
- *Increase the number of medical professionals in our South County Medical Reserve Corps.*
- *Share the success of the Neskowin wayfinding project with other communities in South County.*

All of this is possible, but none of it is doable without each resident committing to personal preparedness and deciding where in all these efforts you can help. We can do it one step at a time – one project at a time!

I am thrilled to work with such a great team! I look forward to more of you joining with us, so that no matter what nature throws at South County, **WE WILL BE PREPARED!**