



*Teen CERT participant lifts a 2,000 pound car!*

## Ready & Resilient Highlights:

- Oxnard graduated its first Teen CERT class in February. Fifteen students from Channel Islands High are now CERT trained!
- Spring CERT class began April 6<sup>th</sup>.
- The Colony at Mandalay Bay hosted a CERT class for 24 of their residents in January.
- City staff is being trained in Disaster First Aid.
- Locally trained instructors to provide “Listos” disaster preparedness training class for Spanish speakers.
- City representatives participated in two table-top disaster exercises: one with the Oxnard Airport, and one with United Water Conservation District.
- The Oxnard CERT Council has changed its name to the Disaster Volunteer Advisory Council to reflect its broader mission.
- City Emergency Operations Center Team members were recently trained in disaster public assistance and radio communications.

For more information about any of the above, call Disaster Preparedness Coordinator, Susan Dueñas at 385-7717.

## Disaster Preparedness Training Academy Set for April 30<sup>th</sup> at the PACC

Oxnard’s Disaster Volunteer Advisory Council is busy making plans to offer the second annual Disaster Preparedness Training Academy on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Oxnard Performing Arts Center located at 800 Hobson Way. The academy will provide a series of workshops that will provide basic training in Disaster First Aid, Fire Suppression and Extinguisher Use, Search and Rescue and Disaster Preparedness. Certificates will be given to those who complete all four classes.

“We are very excited for this event which is all about empowering our residents. Participants will gain knowledge about the specific hazards in our city as well as how to prepare and respond to them,” said Susan Dueñas the City’s Disaster Preparedness Coordinator.

Each class is one hour and will be offered twice. All classes will be offered in English and Spanish as follows:

ENGLISH	SPANISH
Disaster Preparedness • 9 am – 10 am • 11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Disaster Preparedness • 10:15 am – 11:15 am • 1 pm – 2 pm
First Aid • 10:15 am – 11:15 am • 1 pm – 2 pm	First Aid • 9 am – 10 am • 11:30 am – 12:30 pm
Search & Rescue • 9 am – 10 am • 11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Search & Rescue • 10:15 am – 11:15 am • 1 pm – 2 pm
Fire Extinguisher Use • 10:15 am – 11:15 am • 1 pm – 2 pm	Fire Extinguisher Use • 9 am – 10 am • 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Classes are being taught by Community Emergency Response Team program graduates alongside Oxnard Fire personnel. To register for the workshops or for more information, call Disaster Preparedness Coordinator, Susan Dueñas at 385-7717 or [susan.duenas@oxnard.org](mailto:susan.duenas@oxnard.org).