

Right Choice Prepared Inc (RCP)

FAQ

Who are we?

Right Choice Prepared Inc is a nonprofit Utah based corporation.

What do we do?

We provide training on how citizens can organize themselves into grass-roots community-based preparedness groups.

How does it work?

It's all based on volunteerism. Someone volunteers to be a 'Good Neighbor' (GN). They are assigned a geographic area of 6-12 homes called a 'Block'. They make an initial visit to their neighbors' home and explain what they are doing. If their neighbor is interested they invite them to the next preparedness seminar and tell them where the 'gathering place' is. If not interested, they are left politely alone.

Is there a cost to participate?

No. There is no cost to participate in any way. For example: preparedness seminars are provided free of charge.

What is 'Neighbors Helping Neighbors'?

It's just what it says 'neighbors helping neighbors.' We use this phrase to describe how we operate – neighbors help their neighbors – both in preparation for an emergency and especially during one and immediately after.

How are neighborhoods organized? – Leadership?

Neighborhood Organization - neighborhoods (subdivisions) are divided into small more manageable groups.

<i>Blocks</i>	<i>6-12 homes</i>	<i>Good Neighbor – also known as: Block Captain</i>
<i>Districts</i>	<i>6-12 Blocks</i>	<i>District Leader</i>
<i>Areas</i>	<i>6-12 Districts</i>	<i>Area Leader & Area Leader Assistant</i>
<i>Master Area</i>	<i>6-12 Areas</i>	<i>Master Area Leader & Master Area Leader Assistant</i>

What is a 'Preparedness Seminar'?

Preparedness seminars are held monthly. They last one hour and are hosted locally. A variety of preparedness topics are presented: Water & Food Storage, 96-Hour Comfort Kits, CERT, Medical, Communications, etc. Seminar presenters are considered experts in their field. Training is most often provided by those who live within the Master Area.

What is a 'Gathering Place'?

The location designated in advance where residents will meet right after an emergency. Residents are instructed to secure their own safety and that of anyone in their house before coming to the gathering place. GN's are asked to bring a status report on those in their Block. As residents arrive they will be assigned to help a specific neighbor in critical need – The essence of 'Neighbors Helping Neighbors'

How do you communicate all of this?

We have a neighborhood communication system. Cell phones, social media, texting and email are used before an emergency. However, these may not work during and immediately after an emergency in which case we use:

- Walkie-Talkie radios – Personally owned by residents*
- Ham radios – Personally owned by a very few residents*
- *Police style radios – Issued to Master Area Leaders by the local police department*
 - *Capable of communicating directly with Local Command Centers*