

75 years ago on March 10, 1933 at 5:54 pm
a 6.4 magnitude earthquake struck Long
Beach causing millions of dollars in damage
and unfortunately took the lives of 120 people.

Currently the city does have an overall plan set in
case of another emergency, but the realities are:

- 911 dispatch would be overwhelmed
- Only 133 firefighters on duty at any given
time
- 3 out of 7 LB police officers live outside
the city
- Only 1 out of 30 people are prepared to
sustain themselves for the critical 7 days
following a major disaster

Cracks exist in our overall preparedness!
What else could be done?

President Bush recently addressed local
emergency coordination by challenging "cities
and counties cross the country to... [bring]
together first responders, volunteer
organizations, law enforcement agencies, and
community-serving institutions such as
schools, hospitals... and
houses of worship".

**Houses of worship can play a critical part of
a successful and proactive plan of caring
for our city's wellbeing!**

*Are you up for the task of caring for your
neighbors in this way?*



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75th Anniversary
of the Long Beach Earthquake

Emergency
Preparedness
Houses of Worship



"Seek the welfare of the city" Jeremiah 29:7

In Response

The Emergency Preparedness Task Force of Kingdom Causes Long Beach's mission is to coordinate emergency preparedness among neighbors by mobilizing worship centers (and their congregants) to advocate in their neighborhoods and to be key identifiable resources in the city's overall emergency preparedness plan.

Support

Peggy Brutsche

Chief Operating Officer

American Red Cross - Greater Long Beach Chapter

Because the Red Cross cannot be everywhere at once, it is important to partner with organizations that share our commitment to serving our communities in times of disaster. We can join knowledge and resources to provide the best service possible.

Casey Chel

Emergency Services Coordinator of the Disaster Management Division - Long Beach Fire Department

The City of Long Beach is proud to be working with the faith-based community to better prepare for any major emergency or disaster. It is clear that the limited resources of the City of Long Beach cannot do it alone. It takes coordination and a strong commitment between the City and volunteers, like you, to make a positive impact. Working with Kingdom Causes has and will make a difference.

The Plan

Our worship center enrollment plan starts with a breakdown of the city into 24 Emergency Preparedness Zones (EP Zones). Within each of these EP Zones, we are committed to systematically identifying and leveraging the influence and resources of various local worship centers. Once identified, each worship center will be assigned a designated Area of Responsibility (AOR). These local worship centers, when equipped and trained, will be able to serve their neighbors in some very tangible and important ways by functioning as hubs of information and care as they foster a local sense of security and preparedness.

There is room for everyone to get involved! What role will you play?

Level 4

City Designated Resource Center

- Specifically designated city resource (ex: Red Cross Shelter, Ham Radio Station, etc)
- Triage Center/Staging Area in case of a local or citywide emergency

Level 3

Emergency Response Center

- Primary information and referral center for designated EP Zone
- Represent their EP Zone at various citywide meetings (including KC EP Task Force)
- Represent their EP Zone at local neighborhood meetings (ex: Neighborhood Watch, Associations, etc)

Level 2

Neighborhood Resource/Training Center

- CERT certified team identified for their AOR
- Willing to host neighborhood trainings in AOR
- Committed to ongoing local neighborhood resource assessment (Asset Mapping)

Level 1

Neighborhood Advocate

- Identified team to go door-to-door in their designated area when needed
- Worship center congregants informed, prepared, and mobilized

Contact us directly or join us at the next Kingdom Causes Emergency Preparedness Task Force meeting. The EP Task Force meetings are on the first Tuesday evening of every even numbered month from 7:00 – 8:30 PM at our Kingdom Causes Long Beach office.