



Community Preparedness: Radio Communications Temporary Working Group **Input Requested**

The Radio Communications Temporary Working Group focuses on identifying and describing current amateur radio capabilities. The committee focuses on documenting baseline details so a future TBD group (ideally with government representation) could work on gap closing to improve post-disaster communication capability. Group focuses on 94025 zip code.

Note: The working group is not charged with assessment of existing efforts.

Charge: Modular Report that collects, into one place, needed background information for a future effort focused on gap closing strategies.

- Hold kick-off meeting and select a Chair and Vice Chair. Consider who else to include, while keeping group size manageable. Discuss what's known and divide up the data-gathering.
- Survey current capabilities by identifying plans, documents, materials, equipment and training. Current capabilities also include People.
- Prepare a short report with summary-level details across these aspects:
 - PLAN: Any amateur radio communication plan that includes 94025 zip code.
 - PEOPLE: List of 94025-residing HAMS, contact information, location, call sign, HAM ability, participation in weekly NETs, etc. Prepare of a list of 94025 residing Block Coordinators, with locations and contact information, who have FRS or GMRS radios.
 - PRACTICE: List of local area HAM radio practice efforts. How promoted. Who is responsible, and who typically attends. Include any focused effort to interest HAMS in participating.
 - EQUIPMENT: List of local repeater stations, locations, equipment, who maintains, and their capabilities. Also, any CERT Communications trailer and what it includes. Include any known effort to supply people with FRS and/or HAM radios.
 - TRAINING: List of pre-existing courses and when offered. Who taught? Who attended? You could include thoughts about needed courses.
 - ORGANIZATIONS: List of local amateur radio organizations and local contacts.

Out of Scope, but could be opportunistically collected:

- Plans from other jurisdictions, along with contacts.
- Gaps and gap closing strategies across: planning, organization, equipment, training and exercises.
- Recommendations for hard-to-reach populations?