

Highlights for the Year 2018

Joyce Emergency Planning and Preparation Group

January

BBC came to film a documentary about JEPP's project. Large crowds attended Jim's presentations of "After the Quake" and "Camping in Your House". Two more units of emergency food and 200 more comfort kits were purchased. An Emergency Education Fair was held at the Elwha Reservation. An 8KW generator was donated to us. The JEPP website was updated and revamped to include more information about Cascadia Preparations.

February

Jim and Donna reported on their visit to Puerto Rico to learn about emergency response in rural areas. We added 75 sleeping bags to the cache. Walmart granted us another \$1,000.

March

Jim and Donna Buck received a Clallam County Volunteer Service Award for all they do to educate the community about the earthquake and disaster preparation. BBC's documentary on JEPP was the 5th most watched documentary in the week it was released.

April

A military field kitchen and a 10KW generator were donated to JEPP. The second water trailer was completed.

May

We met with JBC leaders to discuss how to make its buildings more earthquake safe so they will be suitable for use as an emergency shelter. Agreement was reached that JEPP and the church will share costs regarding different aspects of the work. Work continued on "Job Cards" for the shelter and "Shelter Operations Handbook". Crescent School's principal met with us to discuss the school's emergency preparation plans and how we can support each other.

June

National Guard members gave us training on how to set up the military field kitchen. The kitchen was thoroughly cleaned and serviced. We earned \$870 at one bake sale. A chart depicting Emergency Support Functions (ESF) was developed to show which entities would be responsible for specific responses during an emergency.

July

Northwest Farm Credit awarded us a grant of \$2,000 for upgrades to the shelter site. Plans were developed to upgrade JBC's heating system and make them safer. We purchased 10 FMS radios for use by shelter managers. We also purchased 20 five lb. cans of coffee and five rolls of caution tape.

August

The field kitchen with all equipment was on display at Joyce Daze. We learned that Fairchild Airport in Port Angeles has been designated a federal staging area in an emergency. The state approved maintaining runway length to accommodate large planes. A second Conex was placed behind the JBC. Research began for the installation of window film on JBC gym windows. Donna made \$306 selling fritters at Joyce Daze.

September

Anne Chastain, the new EOC Coordinator for Clallam County, agreed to attend JEPP meetings to keep us informed about county emergency preparations. Donna Buck submitted articles about emergency preparation to "Logger News". Plans began for a community event to be held in March 2019.

October

We were gifted 3,800 MREs. Insulation foam and Gorilla Racks were purchased and later installed in Conex#2. Research on sanitation supplies and procedures continued.

November/December

The Ben B. Cheney Foundation granted us \$10,000 to be used for wiring and heating projects at JBC. Mortuary supplies were acquired and stored in a bin along with guidelines and procedural documents. We approved the action plan for 2019, with a focus on shelter development.