

**Ready for an
Emergency?**
You can be.

Natural Disaster Awareness Course for Community Leaders

The McMinnville Downtown Association and Third Street Books are sponsoring the FEMA-certified course “Natural Disaster Awareness for Community Leaders” on **Thursday, March 12 from 9 to 1pm at the McMinnville Fire Hall**. Paul Manson, of the Institute for Sustainable Solutions at the Hatfield School of Government, Portland State University will teach the course along with Khanh Pham, PhD graduate researcher at Portland State University.

This course will also provide community leaders with an understanding of the necessary plans and tools needed in planning for natural disasters, and will help them to better understand and identify the personnel best equipped to address response and recovery requirements in the case of an actual disaster.

Course Modules include:

- Hazards and Vulnerabilities
- Community Preparedness & Mitigation
- Value of Partnership

There are no prerequisites and the course is free of charge. Enrollment is limited to 30.

Meet the Instructors



Paul Manson is a Fellow with the Institute for Sustainable Solutions at Portland State University, and a PhD student in the Mark O. Hatfield School of Government. He develops and delivers applied environmental policy and research workshops around the Pacific Northwest. Paul started his work in emergency preparedness in the Civil Air Patrol in Alaska and carried this through to present work as a part of the Resilience Pacific Northwest Program at Portland State University.



Khanh Pham is a PhD graduate researcher at Portland State University, where she studies urban planning, climate change adaptation, and equity planning. She has served as a research assistant and consultant for several climate change-related projects and co-teaches a class on Disasters and Resilience at PSU. She currently serves as Co-Chair of the Board of Directors of OPAL Environmental Justice Oregon

**To register, please call the McMinnville Downtown Association
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