

What Has CERT Been Up To?



We have decided to continue the water scavenger hunt for another week, so be sure to send in a picture of your emergency water supply to be entered to win a preparedness prize!



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Takeaways from the Covid-19 Online Training

It is important to keep perspective when thinking about the virus, how it is transmitted, and how it is affecting the population.

Right now, it is important to be practicing good hygiene.

Look for the best up to date information

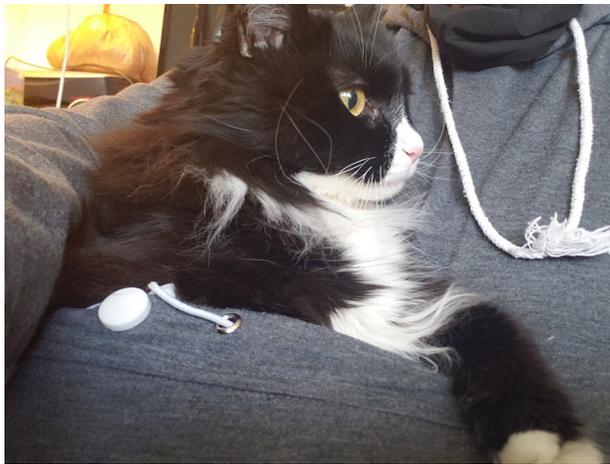
Having water, food supplies, important documents, and supplies for your pet are crucial during this time to be prepared

Having a preparedness kit is good to have right now because it can help you limit exposure if you do not have to go out all the time for certain supplies

Penny Drost—
CERT 41

Working through Pierce County Emergency Management, the Washington State Animal Response Team has set up an emergency shelter for pets of COVID-19 victims who need care while the owner is hospitalized. When first responders transport a person to a hospital, animal control is called if there is no one else in the home to care for any pets. The pets are brought to the emergency shelter by an animal control officer. During shelter operations training, my two dogs, Cocoa (a chocolate lab) and Molly (a mixed breed), were happy to help. On the first run they were a little confused, but by the third run they were pros.

Dana
Lockhart—
CERT 22



Here is a picture of Dana Lockhart's kitty in her kitty sweatshirt!

April Communication Drill

Team	% of Responses
West Lakewood	27%
East Lakewood	38%
UP North	28%

This month, team leaders sent out another email checking in on their team. During this time of such uncertainty and craziness, we want to check in to be sure everyone is doing okay. We understand that everyone is busy with their own lives, but a quick email to your team leader letting them know that you are doing okay, helps us to know how our members are doing and also helps us test the communication line between team leaders and team members, as a drill before an actual emergency happens. Thank you all for your participation.

**The Bingo Winner is:
Sinead Coleman!
Congratulations**