

Civil Defense Volunteers of Utah

Civil Defense Volunteers of Utah is a non-profit , service organization dedicated to teaching an all hazards curriculum, with an emphasis on nuclear war survival. It is generally believed that if you are prepared to survive a nuclear event, you are prepared to survive all other hazards including earthquake, winter storm, hurricane, tornado, famine, etc.

The Federal Government has given the state of Utah an "All Hazards Shelter" display, which Civil Defense Volunteers shows at State and County Fairs. This organization has shown tens of thousands of people through the display in the last 5 years.

Lectures are given by appointment on the average of twice a month at schools, churches, civic groups, neighborhood groups, and government agencies. All speakers donate their time and there is no charge for these lectures.

The president, vice president and secretary of Civil Defense Volunteers are Jay Whimpey, Dilon Atkinson and Bill Seyfried.

This group was founded by Paul Seyfried and Sharon Packer who now serve on the board of directors. They lecture widely throughout the state and nation. Mrs. Packer has a masters degree in Nuclear Engineering from the University of Utah, and Mr. Seyfried is a student of military and national security affairs and attended military academies in Missouri and New Mexico.

CIVIL DEFENSE VOLUNTEERS OF UTAH meets formally each month in Salt Lake City to teach the general public civil defense skills. Anyone is welcome. They meet the 2nd Saturday of each month, 7:00 p.m. in Salt Lake City at the City & County Building, 4th So. and State. The membership fee is \$25.00 a year, however attendance at the meetings is free of charge. Members are given equipment and source material s when they are available. Each year each paying member is assigned a radiological meter on permanent loan, and trained in radiological monitoring techniques.

This is a list of some of the classes taught on a regular basis throughout the year.

SOVIET MILITARY THREAT (Our vulnerability and how we got there)

WEAPONS EFFECTS (radiation, blast, thermal, EMP)

SHELTER BUILDING (hardened blast and radiation shelters; and basement fallout shelters).

SURVIVAL SKILLS (How do I find shelter when I'm away from home?, How do I know when

radiation has started?, What can I eat, What animals can I slaughter?, How long must I remain sheltered, etc.)

EXPEDIENT SHELTERING (Finding shelter if caught away from home).

NUCLEAR WINTER AND OTHER MYTHS

EARLY ATTACK WARNING ALARMS (Early warning from EMP, and plans for making the alarm)

RADIOLOGICAL MONITORING (Use and care of radiation meters).

KEARNEY METERS (Making effective and inexpensive radiation detectors)

72 HOUR KITS FOR HOME AND CAR

BASIC FIRST AID (Emphasis on radiation sickness and burns)

CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL WARFARE (Protective measures and treatment of effects).

CPR (both infant and adult)

FOOD AND WATER STORAGE IDEAS

EARTHQUAKE (geographical areas of most concern, liquefaction, do ahead preparedness, sheltering, etc.)

EVACUATION (Is it possible, practical, and necessary)

COMMUNICATION (Ham and CB capabilities and a plan for contact times after the event.)

COLD WEATHER SURVIVAL (Construction of foam clothing, designed by Jim Phillips and used in subzero weather by the military).

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