

WHOLE COMMUNITY NEWS

FROM KALAPUYA LANDS IN THE WILLAMETTE WATERSHED



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This free hyperlocal news service supplements local news coverage by covering beats that do not overlap or compete with existing commercial news media.



Our approach has been characterized as community journalism, public journalism, civic journalism, citizen journalism, and solutions journalism.

This hyperlocal neighborhood news service is one of four components in the [Whole Community Support](#) program



John Q: Small-town weekly community newspapers in Alaska, Utah, Washington, Montana, Hawaii, Oregon. Community Service award (and many more), Montana Newspaper Association.



Randy Groves (speaking at Bethel community meeting in July 2021):

Home preparedness, family preparedness, neighborhood preparedness is essential. It's important to prepare and to be able to be as self-sufficient as you can.

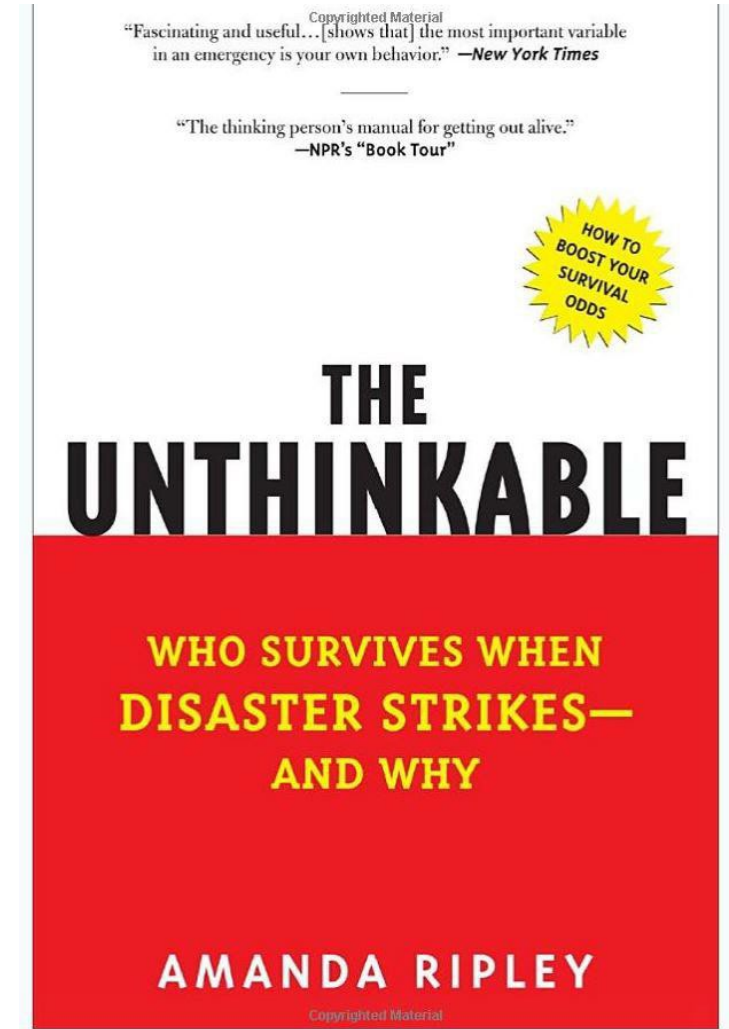
And that's one of the reasons I really like the neighborhood association system that we have in our city, because it gives us a chance to think autonomously within a geographical area and how we support one another.



In most major disasters, the people who will save you will ***not*** be wearing badges.

They will be your neighbors and coworkers.

- Amanda Ripley



We are a part of the NRF ‘Whole Community’

Government resources alone cannot meet the needs of those affected by major disasters.

All elements of the community must be activated, engaged, and integrated to respond to a major or catastrophic incident.

Children, older adults, individuals with disabilities and others with access and functional needs; those from religiously, racially, and ethnically diverse backgrounds; people with limited English proficiency, owners of animals, including household pets and service and assistance animals



National Response Framework

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Homeland
Security

Multi-year neighborhood collaboration

- **Neighborhood ICS**
 - Connecting to Emergency Management professionals
- **Whole Community News - Public Information Officers**
 - Youth Radio Project, Network Charter School
- **Exercise and evaluation**
 - Practice, review, repeat
- **Time Bank**
 - We can recognize your time participating in public discourse tonight



Local – fighting news deserts

- Our role is to supplement existing media
- We share with anyone
- Hyperlocal stories other media are not covering

Disaster Preparedness

All local orgs & events

Education

Presentations

Advocacy

Neighborhood association meetings

NEN, SEN, FAN, River Road, Bethel

Neighborhood Leaders Council

This transportation committee

City Council work sessions, public comment

City boards and commissions

Legislature public comment, disaster bills

Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

Long Tom Watershed Council

EWEB

East 30th tanks, McKenzie restoration, grid
Leaburg dam

LTD

Transit Tomorrow, MovingAhead
July 2021 shakeup – 2 board, 1 GM, 1 lawyer

BEST

Vision Zero, Safe Routes to School

4J School Board

U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden (when local connection)

Local elections

Represent media when others can't make it

Executive sessions

Press conferences



We need more citizen journalists

- Attend a public meeting of your choice
- Share a summary of what happens there with others
- Use your phone to record video, audio, pictures
- [SPJ Code of Ethics](#) (Society of Professional Journalists):
 - Seek Truth and Report It
 - Minimize Harm
 - Act Independently
 - Be Accountable and Transparent
- Record your volunteer time in the time bank

Get involved

- Neighborhoods & their committees
- Eugene Springfield CERT
- Faith communities
- Nonprofits
- Share news about what you are doing
- Build skills and relationships to help one another in disaster
- [Support hyperlocal news organizations](#)
 - Highway 58 Herald, The Chronicle, Double-Sided Media, Fireside (FUSEE), McKenzie River Reflections, Underscore



[Whole Community Support](#) – sustainable preparedness program

[WholeCommunity.News](#) – Preparedness, PIO role in disasters

[Map Your Neighborhood, CERT](#)

[First Non-Profit Time Bank of Eugene](#) (hOurWorld.org)

[Lane Service Sharing Network](#) (TimeBanks.org)

[Time Banks USA video about time banking](#)

[Randy Groves at Bethel](#)