

Once all the neighbors on your street have been contacted and, those interested, arranged into buddy groups, the letter below congratulates them for doing so. To expedite the email process, you can blind copy (without displaying individual emails) this letter to all the residents on your street and, at that time, you might also arrange a block party to create a festive event, while acknowledging they are supportive of one another through their buddy groups - You may request if there are neighbors who would assist in arranging this block party/potluck.

Dear GIVE YOUR STREET NAME neighbors,

Great news, our entire street has been arranged into buddy groups of approximately four residents who share each other's contact information. And in the event of a disaster, we will check up on each other to see how our neighbors are doing. And, if necessary, assist our neighbors with placing the **Red/Green** (Okay/Help) sign onto the outside-of their home (viewable from the street), thus allowing the OHCC SERT Club Emergency Response Team and, hopefully, professional First Responders to more expediently see where help is required.

As a brief reminder, it is a good idea to consider the following:

- 1- Do you have the **Red/Green** emergency sign (with string attached) to hang outside your home to make it easier to assist those in need and to know who doesn't require assistance? These signs are available for just \$1.00 from the HOA office. If you need assistance, let me know, and I'll get you one. A three-hole punch can put holes along the long side of the sign and a string is attached so it can easily be hung from-your homes outside light or outside number.
- 2- Have you filled out the **Vial of Life** medical questionnaire which **you keep in your home** to assist medical response teams to assist you more quickly in the case of an emergency? That form is attached to this email.
- 3- If you have **medical or mobility issues** or other challenges that might require more support than your four-member buddy system could handle, you might wish to share that information with the SERT Emergency Response Team by filling out the **Neighbor Helping Neighbor** Voluntary Questionnaire attached to this email. Contact me to pick up your completed questionnaire, and we'll then try to arrange for additional support for you during a potential disaster. Hopefully, this disaster doesn't arise, but it's good to be prepared.
- 4- In general, the SERT Club hopes to raise the funds to set up some mobile units to serve as emergency support stations in our community in case of a disaster. They would offer first aid support at these stations. This is a work in progress.
- 5- For more information about the SERT Club, visit the informative SERT website , Click on this link:
www.ohccsert.com

Thank you all for being part of this goodwill endeavor to support one another in our wonderful community.

Any questions, please let me know.

SIGNED BY THE Safety Coordinator

INCLUDE YOUR STREET ADDRESS

AND EMAIL ADDRESS, OR OTHER CONTACT INFO YOU MIGHT WISH TO SHARE