

DEEP – Past, Present and Future

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DEEP was conceived in December, 2011 at a Dunbar Resident Association Board presentation

Discussion about relevance and value of a community-based emergency response

Commitment from several board members to participate (Jonathan Weissman, Jane Ingman-Baker, Susan Chapman, Nicole Gubbay)

Coordination of steering committee

Outreach to City of Vancouver Emergency management

Jonathan suggested DEEP as an acronym



Our first community presentation in 2012 was well attended

- Focus on Map Your Neighbourhood
- Approximately 50 attendees at DCC (no picture unfortunately)
- Participation in 2012 Salmonberry Days festival (and every one since then)

Early and ongoing outreach to Vancouver emergency services

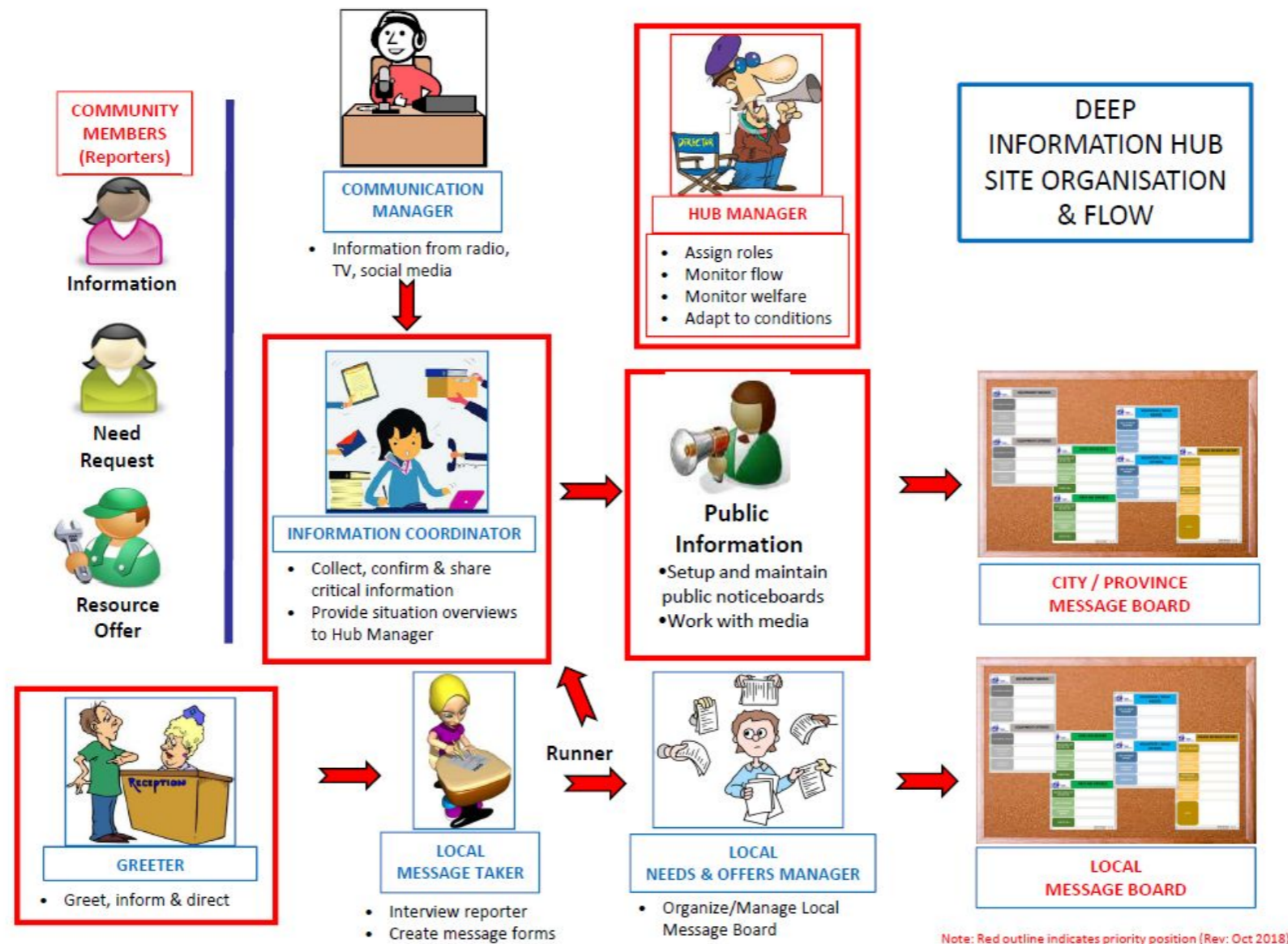
- Emergency Social Services
- VECTOR – Vancouver ham radio backbone of emergency communications
- Neighbourhood Watch Program – Vancouver Police
- NEAT – Neighbourhood Emergency Assistance Teams – Vancouver Fire Department



Community
emergency planning
efforts and exercises
beginning in early
2014



In 2016, DEEP introduced the community based emergency response support hub model, highly developed in Seattle, via Cindi Barker presentation



Disaster Support Hubs - How do they fit into our overall emergency response capability?

LEVELS OF PREPAREDNESS



DEEP's Support Hub container is located next to the tennis court

- Funded by the Dunbar Community Centre Association
- Delivered in 2017
- Fully equipped to support hub operation
- Setup takes about an hour



Hub contents

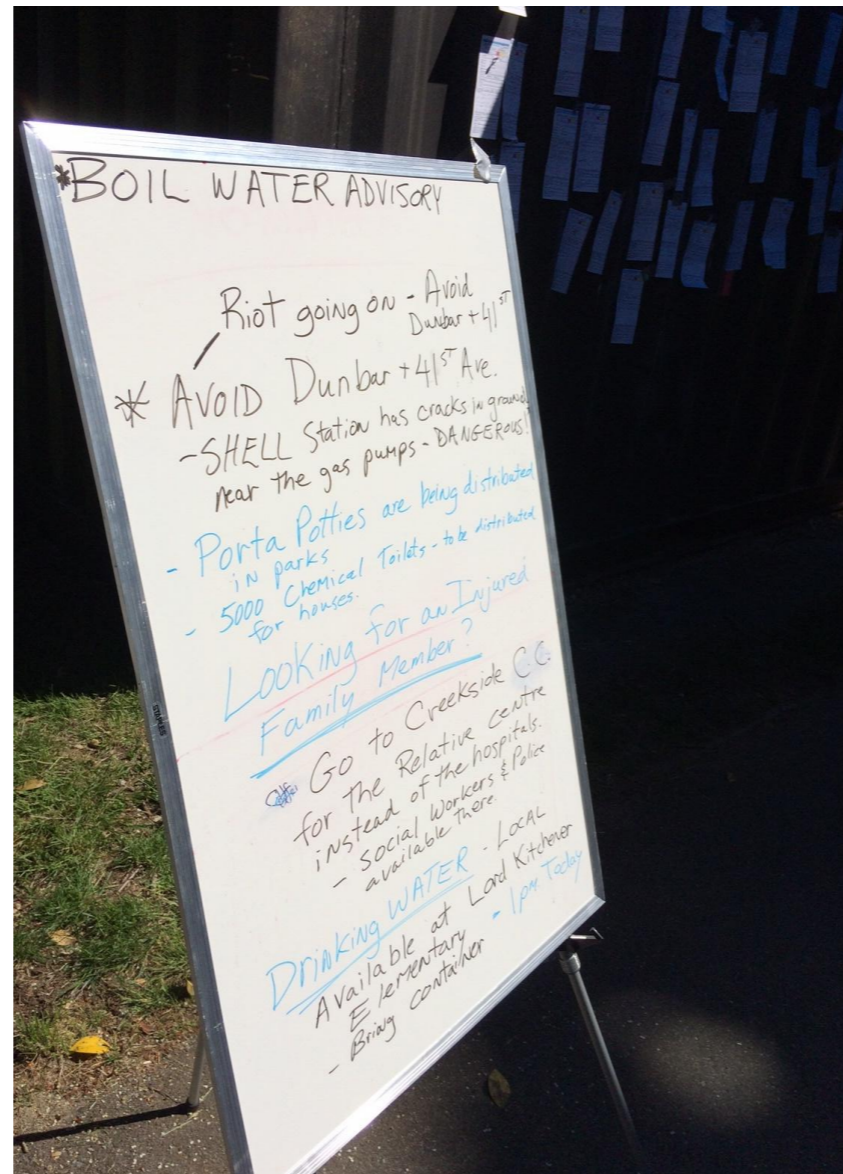
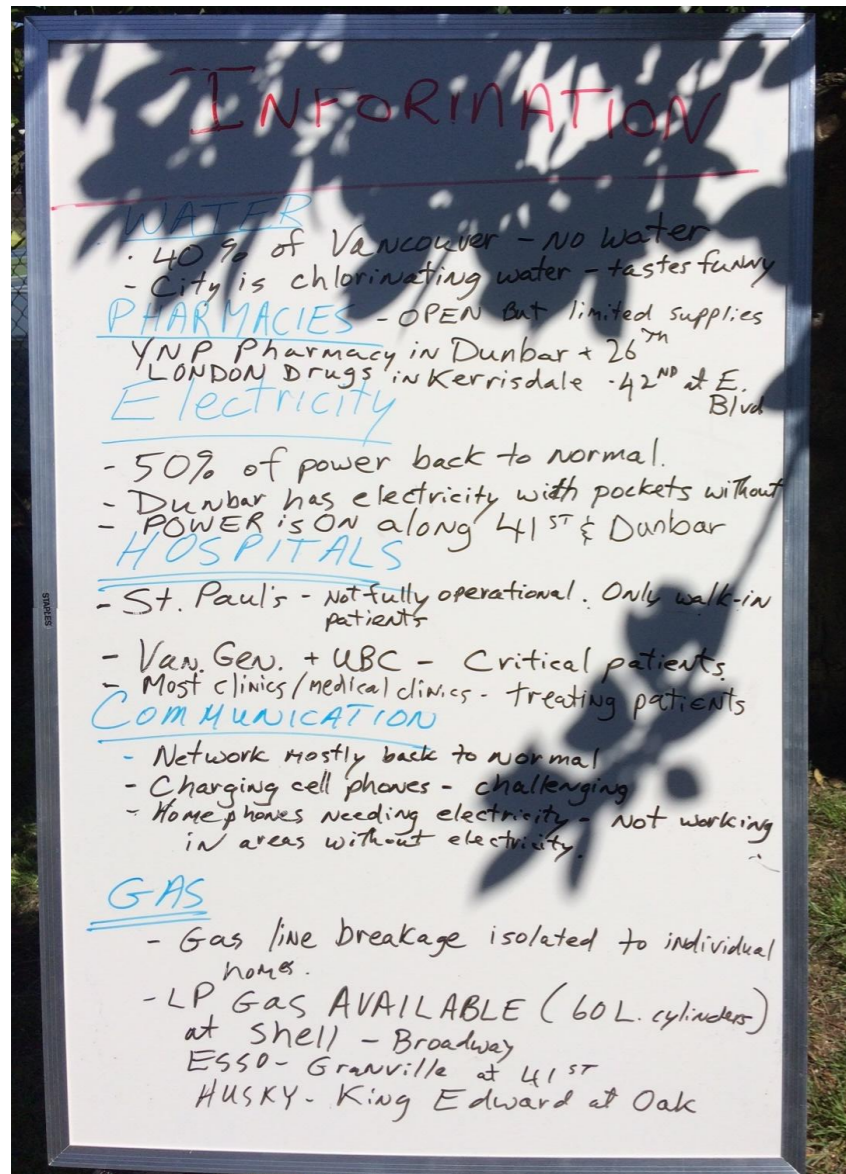
Reminder: A hub is an information and community coordination centre

Not a medical/first aid centre



DEEP has held several practice DSH mobilizations and mock setups to test readiness and equipment






Message boards – where people post messages and look for people, food, lodging, etc. and information collected via ham or other comms re:city advisories

End of
exercise
debrief on
lessons
learned and
what we can
do better



2019 Dunbar invited to participate in the Vancouver 100 Resilient Cities project, leading to a Resiliency Action Plan (RAP)



Action	Initiative
Continue to support and nurture	DEEP
	Salmonberry Days/DVBIA community events
	Community Sports Leagues
	Active transportation
	Block Friendly Activities - placemaking & play streets
	Biodiversity corridors
Build	Form integrated neighbourhood stakeholder structure
	Safe streets
	Volunteer recognition
	Fire alert system – Pacific Spirit Park
	Communication platform
	Asset mapping w/inclusive and equitable lens
Reverse trends	Social isolation
	Declining small business and housing opportunities
	Traffic safety

Recent DEEP Presentations



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Past Events:

[Presentation: Culture and Disasters: A View from Anthropology](#) took place at [Dunbar Community Centre](#) on Wed, Nov 16, 2022 at 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

[Presentation: Tsunami – stealth killers](#) took place at [Dunbar Community Centre](#) on Thu, Oct 27, 2022 at 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

[Presentation: Earthquake Hazards and Risk on Canada's West Coast](#) took place at on Mon, May 30, 2022 at 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

[Salmonberry Days Fair](#) took place at on Sat, May 28, 2022 at 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

[Presentation: Can you hear me?](#) took place at on Mon, Apr 25, 2022 at 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

[Presentation: If my house was designed according to the Building Code, what can I expect during in earthquake?](#) took place at on Mon, Mar 28, 2022 at 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Where do we go from here?

- Keep going?
 - Need new volunteers and community support
 - Outreach with other community groups
 - Refocus under RAP
- Or close down?
- Discussion – ideas???

