Village Council
PORT LUDLOW
TO PROTECT, PRESERVE, PROMOTE, AND UNIFY

Steps Immediately Following a Disaster

(Print this document and keep it under your bed.)

AT HOME...

**Step 1: Check for information** (cellphone for Nixle text or email alert).

Step 2: Protect your head, feet, and hands. A bicycle helmet or hard hat protects from falling debris. Have sturdy shoes to protect from broken glass, along with a flashlight, crowbar, and leather gloves readily available.

Step 3: Check the propane at your home. Shut it off if necessary. This is one of the best ways to prevent fire.

Step 4: Shut off the water at the house main to trap water in your home and to keep pollutants out of possible drinking water (like that in your water heater).

Step 5: Place the Help or OK sign on your front door, a window or garage door. Posting the sign helps your neighbors locate those who need help first.

Step 6: Put your fire extinguisher on the sidewalk or where neighbors can use it.
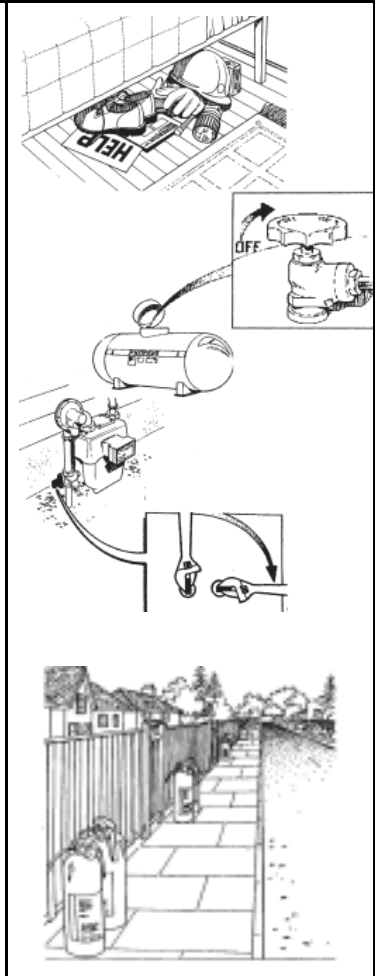
Steps Immediately Following a Disaster (cont.)

WITH NEIGHBORS ...

Step 7: Go to the Block Hub Site, if established.

> Write your Block Hub location here.

Step 8: Block Captain helps form Teams at the Block Hub site:

- **Team 1**- **Communications and Information:** Monitor Port Ludlow Comm Center, Nixle, PUD website, KPTZ radio (91.9 FM), and/or NOAA Weather Radio - and keep neighbors informed of what they learn.
- **Team 2**- **Check Vulnerable Neighbors:** Check on neighbors who are elderly, those with disability, or children who may be home alone.
- **Team 3**- **Check Utilities:** Check all utilities that need to be shut off, including propane if tanks are hissing or dislocated from their foundation.
- **Team 4** - **Check OK/HELP Signs:** Check all homes with the HELP card displayed on the front door or window, or with no card showing. Be prepared to give first aid. Trust your instincts. If something feels unsafe, stay out.

Step 9: Block Captains Only – Survey your Response Area and report results to the Communication Center via FRS/GMRS radio by using the Situation Report.

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