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Emergency Supplies, Equipment Approved for San Antonio Heights CERT

SAN ANTONIO HEIGHTS – Volunteers trained in disaster response will receive the tools and equipment they will need to react quickly during a major emergency thanks to funding requested by Second District Supervisor Paul Biane.

On Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors approved an \$8,200 allocation from the board's Priority Policy Needs budget to purchase emergency supplies and equipment for the San Antonio Heights Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

The team consists of 40 residents who have received emergency response training through the San Bernardino County Fire Department and Office of Emergency Services. At Supervisor Biane's request, team members developed a list of equipment they need to fulfill their role during a disaster. The list included two-way radios, cots, a generator, pry bars, lights, tables and other supplies.

"These residents made a huge commitment when they joined the CERT, and I want to support their efforts by providing them with the tools and equipment they will use to assist their neighbors during a major emergency in the community," Biane said.

San Bernardino County and local agencies have established 23 CERTs across the County of San Bernardino to provide basic emergency response and care following a major disaster, which could overwhelm traditional emergency responders. More than 6,000 residents in the County have received CERT training.

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