The Coastside Emergency Corps (CEC) was reestablished in late 2017, with an Interim Board appointed for 2018. The main responsibilities of the Interim Board were to reorganize the 501(3)c after having been in limbo for a little over a year, and to work toward the vision of our Mission Statement.

Did you know? The CEC was formed in response to a 2012 report by the Silicon Valley Community Foundation which noted a lack of adequate resources and response during the 2011 tsunami scare on the San Mateo County Coastside. Visit our website: www.cecportal.org.

Mission Statement

The mission of the CEC is to provide support to the many volunteer organizations in the San Mateo County Coastside area by bringing them together for integrated training and information sharing such that in the case of an emergency, these organizations will be able to work together in a productive and effective manner in providing assistance to our first responders.

2018 Interim Board of Directors

Jeneen Sommers, President
Al Malamo, Vice President
Jim Williams, Secretary
Pat O’Coffey, Web Master
Heather Peters, PIO
Peggy Wargo
Peter Wainright
Ann Farris
2018 Highlights

- Completed current and delinquent federal, state and local corporate paperwork
- Updated the bylaws to reflect the new organization
- Established a website
- Established a biannual newsletter
- Published an informational pamphlet
- Appointed a Public Information Officer
- Established six Standing Committees and an Advisory Committee
- Met with Standing Committee leaders and other key players
- Appointed an interim CERT Coordinator for Branches 1 and 2
- Made progress toward more CERT training and organization for Branches 1 and 2
- Attended public outreach events
- Organized or supported 4 co-training events
- Met with 2 local community radio stations about their involvement during an emergency
- Established an interim emergency call out procedure for Branches 1 and 2

I would like to thank the Board of Directors, the Advisory Committee, the CEC Nominating Committee, and the leadership and members of the Standing Committees for their hard work and for their dedication to preparing our community for disasters. I would also like to express my gratitude to the many organizations that have supported the CEC and worked closely with us to achieve our goals. They include the Office of Emergency Services, CalFire, the La Honda Fire Brigade, Coastside Emergency Action Plan (CEAP), the City of Half Moon Bay, Red Cross, the South Coast Emergency Group, the Pescadero Municipal Advisory Council, and Representative Don Horsley’s office.

Standing Committees

Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES)
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
Disaster Airlift Response Team (DART)
SMC Large Animal Evacuation Group (SMCLAE)
Penninsula Humane Society (PHS)
Red Cross

Advisory Committee

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1 - Volunteers participating in a 'Simulated Emergency Test' in October 2018