



July 11, 2023

Dear Community Member,

The City of Bainbridge Island, in partnership with the Bainbridge Island Fire Department, and Bainbridge Prepares, is proactively encouraging our community members to participate in emergency/disaster planning.

Following a large-scale disaster, you will have to wait days to weeks before help can arrive in your neighborhood. This is even more pronounced given the fact that we live on an island, and it will be difficult to get additional resources to us. However, we are all in this together. The **Map Your Neighborhood (MYN)** program will provide a process and a plan to bring your neighborhood/street/HOA together in a time of need. Working together you can reduce the serious consequences of disaster in your neighborhood.

Our partnership strongly encourages your participation in the MYN program. As of June 2023, approximately 42% of households on Bainbridge Island have participated in this program. Our goal is to reach an additional 10% of households on the island by the end of the year.

To learn more about the MYN program, please visit <https://www.bainbridgewa.gov/781/Neighborhood-Preparedness> or email me with any questions.

Thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Anne LeSage'.

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