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### **Neighborhood Block Leader Training Offered**

Cupertino residents who wish to improve communication, increase public safety, and build community spirit in the neighborhoods are invited to block leader orientation and communication system training on Wednesday, June 6, from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at City Hall. A light dinner will be provided. The last day to register is June 1.

Participants will learn step-by-step methods on how to coordinate a Neighborhood Watch or emergency preparedness meeting, or block party. The training will then move to Community Hall where participants will find out about the city's new communication system that informs block leaders and others about emergencies, road closures, police activity, weather events, and other situations. Experienced leaders will also share their neighborhood coordination tips.

The orientation is open to residents interested in coordinating activities for the first time and to current leaders who want to rejuvenate activities in their neighborhoods. Cupertino block leaders communicate with neighbors from five to 90 homes each. The Cupertino block leader program helps residents to connect with each other and with the City. Block leaders learn about new city programs and events specific to their neighborhoods. More than 200 residents participate as Cupertino block leaders.

If you would like to participate, e-mail [communityrelations@cupertino.org](mailto:communityrelations@cupertino.org) or call 777-3331. Information about the block leader program also is available on the City web site: [www.cupertino.org/blockleader](http://www.cupertino.org/blockleader).

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