

## **UNSCC 2007 CONFERENCE**

### **Educational Training & Workshop Descriptions**

#### **“Leading the Solar Revolution in Your Neighborhood”**

Presented by: Bruce Karney, Community Programs Manager – SolarCity:  
Solar electricity is becoming very affordable and the cost of power from PG&E is rising rapidly, especially for those families who have pools, spas, and air conditioners. The price of solar electricity can be driven down even more when neighborhoods organize “buyers groups” to obtain a discount based on their bulk purchase. The speaker will explain how he led a buyers group in Mountain View and the dramatic results it achieved – more than doubling the number of solar homes in Mountain View. Any community leader can do the same – there’s no magic and no rocket science involved. All you need is a passion for your community and the planet we all share.

#### **“Put the Community Back Into Community College”**

Presented by: Charles Montgomery, Marketing Specialist – San Jose City College:  
What can San Jose City College offer the community and what can the community offer San Jose City College? This workshop will include a presentation of the ways that City College intends to open itself to the community as a resource and partner. We will also solicit your input on how we can be more useful to the neighborhoods and be a better neighborhood partner.

#### **“Event Insurance and Risk Management”**

Presented by: Ken Podgorsek, Executive Director – United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County:

This training is required for UNSCC Members as a condition of obtaining Special Event Insurance for your Neighborhood Events. Training will cover the Special Event Insurance Application and discuss ways to run safe events and reduce risk.

#### **“Planning in San Jose – A Community Guide”**

Presented by: Juan Borrelli, Senior Planner – City of San Jose Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Department:

Planning in San Jose offers an introduction to land use planning and development for people unfamiliar with the process, as well as for those already acquainted with the practices who want to learn more.

#### **“Working With Your Elected Officials and Their Staffs”**

Presented by: Kathy Sutherland, Council Assistant to City of San Jose Councilmember Nancy Pyle and Randi Kinman, City of San Jose Planning Commissioner: Learn how to establish a good working relationship with your elected officials and their staffs. Taught from a neighborhood leader’s perspective.

### **“Code Enforcement 101”**

Presented by: Michael Hannon, Deputy Director of Code Enforcement – City of San Jose Planning, Building and Code Enforcement Department:

The Code Enforcement Division exists to work with San Jose residents in regulating and enforcing the City’s Municipal Code and land use requirements. Code Enforcement seeks to promote and maintain a safe and desirable living and working environment throughout the City. If you are unfamiliar with the process or want to learn more this workshop is a must.

### **“Mid Year CAP Grant Reports”**

Presented by: Tim Quigley, Executive Director – Volunteer Center of Silicon Valley:

The City of San Jose Community Action and Pride (CAP) Grant Program provides program, improvement and activity grants to selected Neighborhood Associations on an annual award cycle basis from May 1st to April 30th. A mid year grant report is due to the fiscal agent by December 31st each year. In preparation for submitting this report, neighborhood leaders are encouraged to attend this class, which concentrates on a step-by-step explanation of the report and practical examples to guide timely submission.

### **“Home and Family Disaster Preparedness”**

Presented by: Ken Foot, Emergency Planning Coordinator – Santa Clara County Office of Emergency Services:

Are you prepared for an emergency? Find out what you and neighbors can do to ensure that you’re prepared for any type of disaster when emergency services cannot reach you right away.

**Attendance in the following educational training and workshops will satisfy a portion of City of San Jose Cycle 21 Community Action Pride (CAP) Grant requirements:**

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