

Personal Disaster Assistance

Course Sponsor:

The Provincial Emergency Program (British Columbia),
Emergency Social Services and the Canadian Red Cross Society

Target Audience:

Personal Disaster Assistance volunteers

Course Description:

Duration: 1.5 Hours

Participants will learn how to provide short-term support to 1-2 families who have lost their homes because of a flood, fire or other emergency, and who require accommodation, food and/or clothing.

Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Assess the needs and eligibility for services for evacuees
- Use the PDA Action Checklist, ESS Referral Form and PEP Rates sheet to arrange services with hotels, restaurants and clothing stores
- Refer people who need additional assistance to community agencies
- Coordinate operations with their community ESS team

Prerequisite:

- Introduction to Emergency Social Services

Type of Instruction:

Home study program followed by telephone tutorial: classroom presentations can be arranged for large teams.

Course Location:

The home study package is available from your regional Red Cross office.

Course Availability:

ESS Directors should contact their Red Cross Regional office to request courses in their community.

Point of Contact:

Lower mainland call (604)709-6600
Vancouver Island call 1-800-661-9055
Southern Interior call (205) 573-1204
Northern B.C. call 1-800-278-7177