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## **Neighborhood Block Leader Training Offered**

Cupertino residents who wish to improve communication and increase public safety in the neighborhoods are invited to Block Leader training on Thursday, March 22 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Cupertino Community Hall. A light dinner will be provided. The last day to register is March 16.

The training features a panel of experienced block leaders who will share tips on how to organize neighborhood activities and how to stay in touch with neighbors. Participants will also learn step-by-step methods on how to plan for a Neighborhood Watch or emergency preparedness meeting, or block party.

The session is open to residents interested in coordinating neighborhood activities for the first time and to current leaders who want to rejuvenate activities in their neighborhoods. Cupertino block leaders coordinate between five and 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 are informed of events specific to their neighborhoods. More than 200 residents participate as Cupertino block leaders.

If you would like to attend the training, e-mail <u>communityrelations@cupertino.org</u> or call 777-3331. Information about the block leader program also is available on the City web site: www.cupertino.org/blockleader.