



News Media Contact:

Valerie Kushnerov
Public Information Officer
805-961-7507
805-689-8044 (cell)
vkushnerov@cityofgoleta.org

PRESS ADVISORY

CITY COUNCIL

Eric Onnen
Mayor

Margaret Connell
Mayor Pro Tempore

Roger S. Aceves
Councilmember

Michael T. Bennett
Councilmember

Edward Easton
Councilmember

CITY MANAGER

Daniel Singer

Goleta, CA – Goleta Prepare Now, a program offered by the City of Goleta, will recognize the graduation of its first Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

WHO: Elected officials and residents are invited to celebrate the graduation ceremony and watch the disaster simulation immediately preceding the ceremony.

WHEN: Saturday, August 28th

8-10 a.m.	Disaster Simulation
10-10:30 a.m.	Evaluation of simulation by CERT instructors
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Graduation Ceremony, Remarks by Elected Officials
11:30-Noon	BBQ

WHERE: Goleta Valley Community Center, 5679 Hollister Avenue, Goleta

WHY: The City of Goleta is proud to recognize this first group of citizens who have volunteered their time to take a more active role in emergency preparedness. CERT participants are trained to serve as part of neighborhood or workplace response teams in the event of a major disaster, when emergency services may not be available and when residents may have to rely on each other for life-saving and life-sustaining needs.

###