

Dharma Rain Safety Review

Earthquake Prep

A basic cache of food, water, and supplies is in place in the crawl space under the Sodo. It provides resources for 3 days for 12 people. ***A plan is needed for expanding the cache over time to provide resources for a longer period and for more people.*** (Oregon's Office of Emergency Management encourages people to be prepared to be on their own for a minimum of two weeks.)

Procedures are documented for:

- *Staff* – Done. A first drill was completed in June 2017. Drills are to be scheduled annually.
- *Frog Song* – Done. Regular drills are scheduled throughout school year.
- *Teachers/workshop leaders* – Done. Trainings are scheduled to occur annually.
- *Guest Masters* – in progress.

In our plans, we are assuming the Dharma Rain site is going to be more stable in an earthquake than the surround area based on surveys and seismic modeling results for the area. Also, the Sodo is new construction built to current building codes that include seismic provisions.

Portland Maps indicates the earthquake hazard at our site is “low-moderate to low”.

https://www.portlandmaps.com/detail/property/8500-NE-SISKIYOU-ST-UN-A/R240004_did/

Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries shows our site in an area of 0.4-0.5 peak acceleration on a scale that goes up to 1.1.

<http://www.oregongeology.org/sub/publications/IMS/ims-015/IMS-15.pdf>

Dharma Rain 97220 - The shaking here is very strong. Are you in a new, seismically designed building? If so, damage is negligible. Suggest emergency kit for two weeks. Will take several months to restore community to normal function. Water/sewer/highway infrastructure may take a year or more.] (*Source lost*)

Physical Safety

Kelly maintains a safety checklist and conducts safety checks in areas with hazards (currently during construction in area of duplexes). She also monitors due dates for fire extinguisher testing, renewals of CPR/first aid training certification for staff, etc.

External Threats/Lockdown Procedures

Frog Song has a procedure in place and conducts regular drills throughout the school year. Guest Masters are trained to always keep a cell phone at hand and to lock the Sodo doors and calling 911 if a situation calls for it. They also alert the Shuso to an ongoing issue.

Fire

Frog Song has procedures in place for lock-down, fire, and earthquake. Drills are conducted for all three scenarios throughout the school year.

Our buildings are single-story and most public spaces have multiple exits to the outside so drills to exit buildings seem unnecessary. Various staff members are trained to use fire extinguishers.

Ethics Complaints

The Ethics Council has a procedure in place for investigating ethics complaints that is documented in the *Ethics Complaint and Dispute Resolution Processes (Revised Apr 2015)*

Abuse of Vulnerable Populations

Reports or allegations of abuse of vulnerable populations will be immediately referred to the Safe Environment Committee and will follow the process outlined in the *Safe Environment Policy and Procedures*. This document includes a procedure for a situation in which a Registered Sex Offender would like to practice at Dharma Rain.

Mental Health Crisis

The closest we have to a single document describing procedures for handling an ongoing mental health crisis is a *Summary of TELF Recommendations* dated February 2015. Most of these recommendations have been implemented.

Keeping Safety Procedures Current

- Kelly has ticklers in place for annual report to Board, for drills including regular review and update of documents. Shin'yu is monitoring cache refreshment. Genko is scheduling teacher/workshop leader trainings. Thomas is scheduling Guest Master trainings.
- Jyoshin is setting up a central place to keep document sources so they can be accessed, reviewed, and updated regularly.