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Bridges of Love Ministry Society  
204 – 6A St. NE  
Calgary, AB T2E 4A5

Dear Neighbour,

The 2013 flood, frequent hailstorms and...who can forget "Snowtember!" An increase of rising rivers, hail damaged homes, falling trees onto houses and cars, are due to changing weather patterns, which affect how we address personal and community safety. Being prepared along with emergency skills give confidence and peace of mind so that we are ready to deal with the unexpected.

Bridges of Love's focus for the past 10 years has been on community preparedness & safety. We have supported churches to create a community haven in times of a disaster. To build on this mission, community and personal education is now a valuable addition. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) teaches volunteers how to be best prepared and equipped in times of a disaster. CERT Canada is facilitated by Bridges of Love and each of the eight modules is taught by professionals.

We currently have 45 trained CERT members. They know how to take care of themselves, their neighbours and the community in the immediate aftermath of an emergency. They know emergency first aid, casualty triage and house to house neighbour search. They stabilize the situation so that when the emergency crew arrives, there is a controlled situation where aid and rescue is made easier.

CERT volunteers who are trained in basic emergency procedures are equipped to assist more effectively and safely until first responders arrive. Trained CERT citizens can make a difference in saving lives and protecting property.

We need your help! Funding is essential for Bridges of Love's continued facilitation of CERT training with a fee structure that enables everyone to participate. With your support we can keep costs low and training standards high.

**Neighbours helping Neighbours – Together, we can be prepared!**

Kind Regards,

Lois Reid, Board Chair  
Bridges of Love Ministry



I, \_\_\_\_\_ support CERT training and would be pleased to donate a one time gift of...

- \$1000.00
- \$500.00
- \$250.00
- \$100.00
- \$50.00
- \$20.00

I, \_\_\_\_\_ support CERT training and would be pleased to donate \_\_\_\_\_ per month.

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