SAVE THE DATE:
Community Disaster Resilience Speaker Series – Part 5
Tuesday, April 11, 2017 @ 10:30am – 12:30pm
PSU Smith Ballroom (SMSU 355)

Guest Speaker: Steve Eberlein

Steve is the foundations director, seismic hazards preparedness expert and Prepare Out Loud presenter for the American Red Cross Cascades Region.

The Cascadia earthquake, and preparedness for disasters are topics of special interest to Steve. He was a witness to the destruction of the 2004 Boxing Day Tsunami in Sri Lanka and he experienced the unexpected Klamath Falls earthquakes in 1993.

Prior to coming to the Red Cross, Steve lived in Asia for four years where he worked as a disaster relief aid worker and geography teacher.

Steve’s presentation will practically prepare us for disasters of all kinds (including a Cascadia earthquake), by being vocal about your preparedness and encouraging others to start preparing. Steven will discuss in detail the science and history of the Cascadia Subduction Zone, human behavior during disasters, resources preparation and much more.

What is ICDR?

ICDR (Initiatives for Community and Disaster Resilience) is an interdisciplinary initiative using collaborative efforts to focus on research, educational outreach and community enlightenment. ICDR is designed to emphasis ‘soft’ social science and policy perspectives when approaching issues relating to natural disasters, while other emergency management research centers in the U.S. primarily focus on the ‘hard science’ aspect.

Alongside the Economics Department, the Center for Public Service works to; 1) enhance disaster awareness, 2) host experts to share their experiences, 3) empower local communities by providing policy and economic analysis and, 4) help communities better prepare for possible natural disasters.

Together with students, scholars, practitioners, and community members, ICDR serves as a hub to work on issues related to emergency management and preparedness and community resilience from natural disasters.

Since September 2016, ICDR has hosted four speaker events, which have covered a range of topics and has attracted over a hundred guests from active members of the community to local government officials. We look forward to seeing you as well.