



URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE

Your chance to help in an emergency

HOW TO FIND OUT MORE

If you are interested in becoming a member of our team or would like further information, email us at wemo@wcc.govt.nz, check our website, www.Wellington.govt.nz or phone 499 4444 to request an Urban Search and Rescue application pack.

If you prefer you can write to us at:

*Wellington City Urban Search and Rescue Team
Wellington Emergency Management Office
Wellington City Council
PO Box 2199
WELLINGTON*



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WHAT IS AN URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE (USAR) TEAM?

When people are trapped or injured during an emergency it is the USAR team's job to work alongside emergency services to respond to, and rescue those people.

Wellington City's USAR team is part of a network of USAR response teams throughout the Wellington region and is co-ordinated by the Wellington City Council Emergency Management Office.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

We're looking for people who want to help more than just their family and neighbours during an emergency – people who want to get involved with rescue in the community.

We'll train you to cope with situations that range from a building collapse to wildfires, to high angle rescue.

Volunteers should realise that the work is likely to be very hard and potentially stressful – but there's also great camaraderie. You will have the satisfaction of being able to save lives along with a sense of accomplishment.

We need your time and commitment to train and prepare before the disaster happens. Training is held once a week all year round with a half yearly weekend exercise.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

As a valued member of the team you will receive training in:

- basic first aid
- basic fire fighting
- general rescue
- technical rescue
- use of communication equipment.

Nationally recognised qualifications in:

- Urban Search and Rescue
- civil defence
- technical rescue.

