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“When Their Worlds Fall Apart”

Disaster Response & Planning Workshop for Human Services Professionals

Twin Falls, ID (January 23, 2008) –A two-day workshop intended for Mental Health and Spiritual Care professionals who are interested in learning more about how they can aid our community in the event of a disaster is being held on Thursday, January 31 and Friday, February 1 at the Shilo Inn Suites in Twin Falls.

The goal of the workshop is to improve the effectiveness of responders in a disaster by learning the frequent responses of survivors, as well as evidence based techniques of psychological first aid (not therapy) and crisis intervention at individual and community levels. This skill and knowledge will assist human services professionals as they provide emotional, technical support and problem solving in a rapidly changing context. The workshop will also address research regarding the typical behavior response after disasters, and factors which mitigate or prevent return to normalcy. The presenter, Joanne Caye, MSW, CPM is a Faculty Liaison at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and co-author of the book " When Their Worlds Fall Apart: Helping Families and Children Manage the Effects of Disasters".

Location/Time:

Thursday and Friday (attend both days)
January 31 and February 1, 2008
8:30 am—4:30 pm
Networking Luncheon on Jan. 31—meal provided
Shilo Inn Suites, 1586 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, Idaho

Course Fee: \$20.00

To register contact: Robyn Johnson, SLMVRMC Education Assistant, (208) 737-2007 FAX (208) 737-2779.

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