It is important to attend disaster prevention meetings and drills that are held in the community and neighborhood, so that people can actually see your face. In the event of an emergency, everyone in the community will know and can help each other. In order to be able to help others, it is essential to form neighborhood and community disaster prevention organizations, and proactively carry out drills.

**Neighborhood and Community Disaster Self Prevention Organizations’ Main Activities**

- **Evacuation Pathfinders**
  - Determine safe areas and routes and help people evacuate. Make sure no one is left behind.

- **Water Supply Team**
  - Searches for usable faucets, asks each family to contribute food supplies and helps cook and supply water.

- **Rescue and Relief Team**
  - Treat the wounded, transport them to hospitals or first aid facilities.

- **Fire Extinguisher Team**
  - Calls out to each house to turn off stove, ovens and gas. The teams help with neighbors in the community to put out primary fires with fire extinguishers and bucket water relays.

- **Headquarters/Information Contact Team**
  - Gathers information concerning damage in the area, evacuation situation and disaster and reports to ward offices and fire departments. The team also relays information from the ward offices to the citizens of each community.

**Regular Activities**

- **Evacuation Pathfinders**
  - Hold regular seminars and drills concerning disaster prevention.

- **Water Supply Team**
  - Attend first aid classes and learn the knowledge and procedures of first aid.

- **Rescue and Relief Team**
  - Determine evacuation route and safe areas and notify everyone in the community.

- **Fire Extinguisher Team**
  - Regular neighborhood events may also lead to evacuation activities.

For inquiries concerning the Neighborhood and Community Self Disaster Prevention Organization, please contact the General Affairs and Planning Department of each ward office. For disaster drills, please contact each fire department.