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### **Let's Get Ready to Rock and Roll Event Set to Bring Inspiration and Preparedness to Tillamook County**

The Cape Meares Emergency Volunteer Corps (CMEVC) and the newly formed Tillamook Emergency Volunteer Corps (TEVC) are gearing up for an energizing and educational morning as the *Let's Get Ready to Rock and Roll* event arrives at the Tillamook County Library on **February 21, 2026**, from **10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** County officials and representatives of CMEVC and TEVC will be available for questions during the Q & A session. CMEVC is the emergency preparedness arm of the Cape Meares Community Association (CMCA).

For those unable to attend in person, send an email to [capemearesca@gmail.com](mailto:capemearesca@gmail.com) to request a ZOOM link and how to participate in the interactive events. **Admission is FREE.** Enter for a chance to win a “go-bag” (\$125 value) filled with supplies that will help you survive the first 72 hours of emergencies like extended power outages and the long-anticipated 9.0 Cascadia Subduction Zone Earthquake.

The featured speaker, **Steve Eberlein**, will share his remarkable firsthand account of surviving the 9.1 Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami (2004) while working for the Red Cross. His experience offers a powerful perspective on resilience, preparedness, and the strength people discover in moments of crisis. A native Oregonian, Steve has delivered 200+ earthquake preparedness presentations, including his 2018 TEDx presentation in Portland, Oregon. Steve is the Resilience and Engagement Manager for *Ethos Preparedness*.

Sponsored by Governor Kotek's *Plan for a Resilient Oregon (PRO)*, CMEVC, TEVC, and the Tillamook County Library, the program promises a blend of storytelling, interactive events, and community connection. CMCA is one of two nonprofits in Tillamook County and one of 53 community-based organizations whose work directly informs the Governor's plan. The PRO will guide the development of her 2027-2029 budget and legislative funding in 2027 and beyond. TEVC focuses on emergency preparedness in the City of Tillamook and collaborates with CMEVC and other communities across Tillamook County through their membership in Tillamook County Civilian Corps Council (TC4), a grassroots council of communities, agencies, and organizations throughout Tillamook County.