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Linda has worked for the District Office for over ten years as the Environmental Health and Safety (EH&S)/Emergency Management Coordinator (EMC). Linda's duties include assisting with the management and control of District-wide regulatory issues such as hazardous waste, Cal OSHA and AQMD (Air Quality Management District) requirements, employee safety training and ergonomics.

In recent years, her primary focus has been the District's Emergency Preparedness Program. As a result, through her dedication and continuous work with the three campuses and their management, the Coast Community College District has become known statewide as the leader in emergency preparedness of the 112 Community Colleges. This is an amazing accomplishment that has been spearheaded by Linda.

As the District Coordinator of EH&S/EMC, Linda works with her colleagues to prepare and safeguard their campuses against natural and man-made hazards that could negatively affect their health and academic achievement.

In addition, Linda also teaches Emergency Management and Homeland Security courses through Coastline Community College. Working with Coastline Community College, she played a key role in the development of the first California Community College Certificate and AA degree program in the field of Emergency Management. Her hard work and expertise have resulted in classroom opportunities where students are exposed to this new field, which has many career opportunities.

Linda enjoys working in an academic institution, which provides great opportunities not only for the students but also for the institution. Linda is current-

ly working with the Coastline Innovation Technology Team, which has created a virtual Emergency Operation Center. Linda indicated that this program is like "Dungeons & Dragons" meets "Tsunami 101!" She believes "It is the coolest way for students to learn concepts that would otherwise be just out of their grasp."

As a result of the success of the Emergency Operation Center at Coastline, Linda is now working on a State contract with the California Emergency Management Organization and has attended several state and national conferences. The idea of a virtual Emergency Operation Center is creating a great deal of excitement, both within the Coast Community College District and the state.

Linda enjoys all sports, but she is particularly attracted to snow and water skiing, cycling, rollerblading and snorkeling. She has been married to her husband, Jeff, for 11 years and though they have no children of their own, they are very involved in raising her sister's two daughters, Sheridyn who is 10 years old and Jordan who is 7 years old. Linda and her husband are very involved with community service organizations and are strong supporters of the Boys and Girls Club Hotel Kids program.

In closing, Linda stated, "Along with mine and Jeff's three parrots, Cali, Misha and Lucky, we have a very noisy, but happy home!"

