

Become involved with Amateur radio and ARES

Yolo ARES welcomes new members. If you already have an FCC Amateur Radio License join us on the KE6YUV Repeater 146.9700 MHz, negative offset, PL =123.0 Hz every Monday 8:00pm. Check our web site for the dates of our monthly meeting.

If you do not yet have an Amateur Radio License: Please feel free to contact us. We will help you find an organization in the area to teach you the necessary knowledge to pass the FCC test

If you want to learn about amateur radio through self-study, we can recommend texts and other materials to you. We can provide you with dates and locations to take the license exam.

Further information is available on the ARRL web site: www.arrl.org

If you are interested in joining Yolo ARES or obtaining your Amateur Radio license, please contact us.

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For more information about Yolo ARES, visit our web site: www.yoloares.org

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Yolo County ARES conducts nets every Monday evening at 8:00 PM on the KE6YUV Repeater:

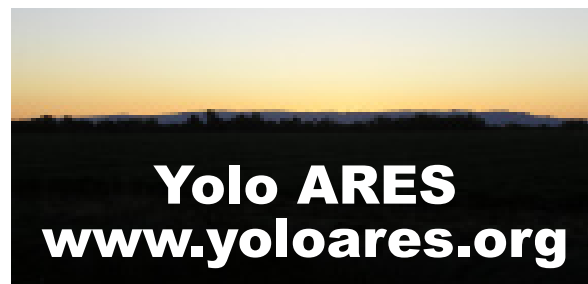
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Yolo ARES has a monthly meeting at 7:00 PM every third Tuesday of the month, usually at the Red Cross building in Woodland.

120 Court Street,
Woodland, CA

Yolo County ARES is part of the Sacramento Valley ARES

Training resources are available at:
www.sacvalleyares.org



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Amateur Radio Emergency Service

What is ARES?

The **Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES)** consists of more than 35,000 licensed amateurs who have voluntarily registered their qualifications and equipment for communications duty in the public service when disaster strikes. ARES provides an organized pool of operators to provide reliable primary and secondary communications links for governmental agencies and/or non-profit organizations when needed.

How ARES differs from Public Safety Radios

Amateur Radio and ARES works when other communications systems fail during natural disasters because Amateur Radio is not infrastructure-dependent, and is decentralized. ARES members are trained in emergency communications.

Yolo ARES communications capabilities

ARES has the capabilities to quickly create a communications network that can provide communications at a local level, county or state wide, even world wide if necessary. Every ARES member is able to operate independently and effectively from most locations.



ARES made a difference during the recent hurricanes

Immediately at the onset of Hurricane Katrina, an all-volunteer “army” of approximately 1,000 FCC-licensed Amateur Radio operators provided continuous high-frequency (HF), VHF and UHF communications for State, local and Federal emergency workers in and around the affected area in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. These communications were provided for served agencies such as the American National Red Cross and the Salvation Army, and to facilitate interoperability between and among these agencies; First Responders; FEMA, VOAD (National Volunteers Active in Disasters) and other agencies.

Yolo ARES can assist you in Emergencies

ARES can provide the Red Cross and Emergency Management Organizations a primary or secondary communications link. ARES can provide communication links between shelters and chapter houses, support for damage assessment, supply handling, logistics, and health and welfare messages.

Does your agency need an organized back-up communications link which can be called into action if your usual communications links become overloaded or disrupted? Are you in need of reliable interagency communications during emergencies? If so, volunteer amateur radio operators can fill the gap.

ARES gives the community access to a pool of qualified communications personnel who can establish communications channels and nets where and when they are needed, providing additional communications capacity between emergency operations centers (EOC) and community shelters, hospitals, evacuation points, and other locations.

ARES *relies* on the services of amateur radio operators who volunteer their time, equipment and expertise for the benefit of the community and the public good.