Learn to Help Save Lives During an Emergency!

Take Free Training—The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area, and trains them in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, Citizens can protect themselves, or assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. You are not required to become a volunteer. Citizens who choose to join as CERT members support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training is held quarterly. People 16 years and older can attend the training. Local CERT group volunteers must be 18 years old. 2023 Schedule:

January 19, 20, 21 and 26, 27, 28 April 13, 14, 15 and 20, 21, 22 July 20, 21, 22 and 27, 28, 29 October 12, 14, 14 and 19, 20, 21

Each training includes 2- Thursday and Friday evenings, 6 pm till 9 pm, and 2- Saturdays, 8:00 am till 4 pm.

It is recommended, but not required, that interested participants take the Federal Emergency Management Agency online "IS 317" course at (http://www.training.fema.gov/is/crslist.aspx) for basic CERT training, which provides an excellent background for the hands-on training provided at the CERT Academy.

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