





Introduction to the Community Emergency Response Team

Did you know...?

- There is a very good chance that your neighborhood will be on its own during the early stages following a catastrophic disaster.
- After a catastrophic disaster, citizens will volunteer to help. Without proper training, volunteers may expose themselves to potential injury and even death.
- Experience has shown that basic training in disaster survival and rescue skills improves the ability of citizens to survive until professional first responders or other assistance arrives.

The Community Emergency Response Team ("CERT") program provides special training that enhances the ability of residents to prepare for, militate against, respond to, and recover from a major emergency or disaster situation. The program prepares citizens to help themselves, their families, and their neighbors in the event of an emergency. CERT Training is available in Prince George's County.

The Prince George's County CERT program was formed as part of a national and statewide effort designed to help individuals and neighborhoods prepare for and respond to catastrophic disasters such as hurricanes, power outages, heat waves, snow storms and other major emergencies.

Basic Introduction to CERT training (approximately 24 hours of training) is held three or four times each year. Individuals completing the CERT training may be affiliated with a team formed through a neighborhood association, a private business, a municipality, a school or a nonprofit association. Individuals not affiliated with a team may still be trained and serve their communities.

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CERT Training Provided by Members of the following Organization:

CERT training will teach participants to:

- Take steps to prepare themselves for a disaster.
- Identify and reduce potential fire hazards in their homes and workplaces.
- Apply basic fire suppression strategies, resources, and safety measures.
- Apply techniques for opening airways, controlling bleeding, and treating shock.
- Conduct medical triage under simulated conditions.
- Select and set up a treatment area.
- Employ basic treatments for various wounds.
- Identify planning and size up requirements for potential search and rescue situations.
- Use safe techniques for debris removal and victim extraction.

And more

November 2018 CERT Training Dates

 The weekend of November 3rd, 2018 and November 4th, 2018

Time: (9:00 A.M.) Location: 7915 Anchor Street, Capitol Heights, MD (Off of Central Avenue)

