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WHAT IS CERT?

CERT stands for Community Emergency Response Team and it means neighbor-helping-neighbor. CERT training promotes a partnering effort between emergency services and the people that they serve. The goal is for emergency personnel to train volunteers in basic response skills. CERT members are then called on to assist their community when emergencies happen.

WHY TAKE THE CERT TRAINING?

The primary reason for CERT training is to give people the decision-making, organizational, and practical skills to offer immediate assistance to family members, neighbors, and associates while waiting for help. While people will respond to others in need without the training, the goal of the CERT program is to help people do so effectively and efficiently without placing themselves in unnecessary danger.

WHAT CAN CERT MEMBERS DO IN BATON ROUGE?

Assist in natural or man-made disasters

Participate in numerous drills with emergency agencies and the various companies within the chemical industry

Help recruit CERT members

Conduct triage and basic treatment

Search for victims trapped in debris

Volunteer for community activities such as expos, presentations, and even parades!

Assist with evacuating

Handling donations in time of need



WHO CAN BE A CERT MEMBER? YOU!!

Absolutely anyone can be a CERT member. Our community needs dedicated volunteers with a desire to learn, to help their community, and to be prepared. We need team oriented leaders who care about the community to get involved.

CERTs can be formed in:

- **YOUR** Neighborhood
- **YOUR** Business/Workplace
- **YOUR** Church
- Scouting Organizations
- School Staff / Students
- Clubs / Organizations
- Amateur Radio Emergency Service Operators

INCLUDING
JUNIOR CERT, TEEN
CERT, and now
BERT!!!

CERT MEMBERS IN ACTION



Training is designed to cover:

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

FIRE SAFETY

DISASTER MEDICAL OPERATIONS

LIGHT SEARCH AND RESCUE

TEAM ORGANIZATION

TERRORISM AND CERT

FINAL DISASTER SIMULATION

For more information about educational and training opportunities, contact your local Emergency Manager:

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"We will find ways to train and mobilize more volunteers to help when rescue and health emergencies arise."

President George W. Bush

