

# Cupertino Community Emergency Response Team



# Disaster



Disaster can strike quickly and without warning. It can force you to evacuate your neighborhood or confine you to your home. What would you do if basic services of gas, water, electricity or telephones were cut off? Local officials and emergency responders will be on scene after the disaster, but they will not reach everyone right away.

Citizens who are prepared in advance can work as a team and provide essential services to their neighborhood and workplace in the event of a disaster. By training as a Community Emergency Response Team member (CERT), you can play a vital role in the City's disaster recovery efforts.

### What is CERT?

The Community Emergency Response Team Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact the area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations.

Using classroom and simulation based education; CERT members can assist others in the neighborhood or workplace immediately following an event when emergency responders may not be immediately available to help.

### **CERT TRAINING**

Taking CERT training is easy, fun and a great way for your business or neighborhood to strengthen working and personal relationships that will be vital in responding to an emergency. CERT training is only \$35.00 and is accomplished in about 21-hours culminating with a final disaster simulation exercise applying the skills participants have learned. Training is broken up into eight (8) modules:

- Emergency Preparedness
- CERT Organization
- Disaster Psychology
- Fire Safety
- Light Search and Rescue
- Emergency Medical Operations
- Terrorism
- Disaster Simulation Exercise

CERT training is offered throughout the year in Santa Clara West Valley area.

## **Next Regional CERT Academy**

Located at Cupertino Civic Center 10350 Torre Avenue, Cupertino, CA

July 29, 2014 - 6pm to 9pm (Unit 1 and 6)

July 30, 2014 - 6pm to 9pm (Unit 2)

July 31, 2014 - 6pm to 9pm (Unit 3)

August 5, 2014 - 6pm to 9pm (Unit 4)

August 6, 2014 - 6pm to 9pm (Unit 5)

August 7, 2014 - 6pm to 9pm (Unit 7 and 8)

August 9, 2014 – 9:30 am to 12:30pm (final exercise)

### To Register, Email County Fire

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Cost \$35.00

