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Community Emergency Response Team Basic Training Course

Is your family prepared for a disaster? The fact is that many families are not prepared but you can change that by attending our Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training course.

CERT is part of a larger, nationally-established citizen volunteer program called Citizen Corps and is intended to teach citizens how to better cope with the aftermath of a disaster by training them in basic disaster response skills. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, citizens are then able to assist others in their neighborhood or workplace when professional responders are not immediately available.

The topics of the course are:

- Disaster Preparedness
- Disaster Fire Suppression
- Disaster Medical Operations (2 parts)
- Light Search and Rescue Operations
- Disaster Psychology and Team Organization
- Course Review and Disaster Simulation

Participants must be 18 years of age or older, or 16 or older with parent permission. Preference for admission into the course will be given to citizens who live or work in the Village of North Aurora.

After the conclusion of the course, attendees who successfully complete the course may apply to volunteer in our CERT program. CERT volunteers may be asked to assist first responders during disasters, other emergencies, or planned events such as North Aurora Days or the Community Parade. Volunteers may be asked to help with directing traffic, perimeter/access control, triage/first aid, light search and rescue, shelter set up and operation, and more.

Applications can be picked up at the North Aurora Police Department Monday thru Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Applications are also available at <http://www.vil.north-aurora.il.us/forms.aspx>. You will be notified when dates are set for our next class, during Fall 2016.

Questions about the program can be directed to Deputy Chief Scott Buziecki at (630) 897-8705, ext. 752 or sbuziecki@vil.north-aurora.il.us.



Community Emergency Response Team Training Course Application Form

Last Name: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Email address: _____

Telephone: _____ Drivers License #: _____ DL State: _____

How long have you lived at present address: Yrs _____ Mos. _____

If less than five years, previous address: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Employers address: _____

Telephone: _____ Length of Employment: _____

Are you interested in being a volunteer for the North Aurora Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) after the conclusion of this course?

Circle one: **YES NO MAYBE**

I, the individual named above, hereby request permission to participate in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program. Participants must be 16 or older. For individuals under the age of 18, approval is required by a parent or guardian indicated by a signature below. I understand that training will involve active physical participation, which includes a potential risk of personal injury and/or personal property damage; and I make this request with full knowledge of these risks. Further, I have read and understand the program outline that describes class sessions and associated activities (a complete description is available at <http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/>.) I agree to hold the Village of North Aurora, County of Kane, North Aurora Police Department, North Aurora Fire Protection District, and the North Aurora Citizen Corps Council, and each of their officers, governing bodies, agents, employees, personnel and volunteers, harmless from any and all claims, actions or suits for any injury or loss that I may suffer, or which may arise, as a result of my participation in the above mentioned program/class. I agree to follow the rules established by the instructors, and to exercise all reasonable care while participating in the CERT program. I understand that I can be administratively removed from the program. Additionally, I authorize the use of my image, photographed in connection with my participation in the program, without prior approval or compensation. I understand that my submission of this application, whether mailed; or sent electronically via email or faxed, shall have the same force and effect as an original. Further, I understand that a criminal history check will be completed on all applicants, and my acceptance to the course is subject to clearance of the background check. I authorize the North Aurora Police Department to conduct a background investigation, including a check of criminal records and other information regarding me that may be of a confidential or privileged nature. By executing this release I certify that all information above is true and accurate, I have read this release in its entirety, I understand all of its terms, and I have had any questions regarding the release or its effect satisfactorily answered. I sign this release freely and voluntarily.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/guardian signature, (if applicant is under 18): _____

(Please return completed application to the North Aurora Police Department)