

Basic C.E.R.T. Training Sign Up Now!

The North Aurora Police Department is holding a Basic Citizens Emergency Response Team training course on Tuesday evenings, beginning on September 6th.

C.E.R.T. or Community Emergency Response Team training is designed to teach citizens basic disaster response skills to help them better cope with the aftermath of a disaster. Through knowledge learned in the classroom and during exercises, students are able to help their family, others in their neighborhood or in their workplace when professional first responders are not immediately available.

The topics of the 8 week (one evening per week) are:

- Overview / Organization / Introductions
- Disaster Preparedness
- Fire Suppression & Utilities
- Light Search and Rescue
- Disaster Psychology / Active Shooter
- Disaster Medical Operations (2 parts)
- Light Search and Rescue Operations
- Practical exercises

Training is open to those 14 and older (under 18 requires parent/guardian approval) and there is no obligation to become a volunteer. Preference is given to those who live & work in North Aurora but all are welcome to apply.

The course meets on **Tuesday evenings, September 6th to October 25th, 2022 from 6:30-9:30pm** at the police station, 200 S. Lincolnway. Don't worry if you can't make a session or two or if you'll arrive a little late.



CERT students practice using a fire extinguisher to put out a small fire under the watchful eye of a firefighter.



CERT volunteers Julie R., Anne D., & Heather W. take a break from training for a selfie!



CERT volunteers applying a tourniquet to a training mannequin to stop severe bleeding.

For more information, contact Emergency Management Coordinator Scott Buziecki at (630) 897-8705, extension 752 or sbuziecki@northaurora.org.

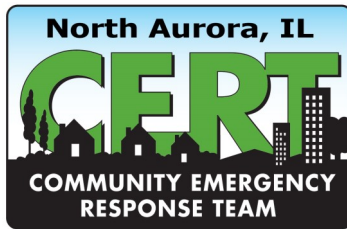




Clockwise from above:

- CERT volunteers and students at our annual Disaster Exercise.;
- CERT volunteers Pete L. and Cindy A. assist a “victim” down the stairs at our Disaster Exercise.;
- CERT volunteers along police staff at our annual holiday & ugly Christmas sweater party.;
- Staff & volunteers taught our first ever Disaster Preparedness class for kids.





Community Emergency Response Team Training Course Registration 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: _____

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

Circle one: **YES** **NO** **MAYBE** (there is no obligation to volunteer in order to attend this course)

I, the individual named above, hereby request permission to participate in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program. Participants must be 14 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. 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)