



## PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

**TITLE:** City of Novi Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training

**PURPOSE/  
DESCRIPTION:** CERT Basic Training is designed to prepare you to help yourself and to help others in the event of a catastrophic disaster. Because emergency services personnel will not be able to help everyone immediately, you can make a difference by using your CERT training to save lives and protect property.

**COURSE  
OBJECTIVES:**

1. Introduction
2. Disaster Preparedness
3. Fire Safety
4. Disaster Medical Operations I
5. Disaster Medical Operations II
6. Light Search and Rescue Operations
7. CERT Organization
8. Disaster Psychology
9. Terrorism and CERT
10. Animal Response Module I
11. Course Review and Disaster Simulation

**TOTAL HOURS** Approximately 20.00 hours

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** This class is open to anyone who wants to learn how to be better prepared before, during, and after an emergency. Individuals are also strongly encouraged to take the training to help their families and neighbors.

**PREREQUISITE:**

- Team member must be at least 18 years of age.
- A High School or GED education is preferred.
- Applicant must successfully complete the 20-hour training for CERT prior to becoming a member of the organization.
- Heavy lifting (over 20 lbs.) may be required.
- The ability to traverse over areas of heavy damage may be needed.
- Some assignments may require extended periods of standing.

**DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS:**

Specific dates and times will be provided during on-boarding

**ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION:**

There is no cost for attendance at this course. All CERT candidates must complete the on-boarding interview in order to complete application process. Training classes are typically held at the Novi Police Department Training Center / Novi Fire Station Number 4.

**METHODOLOGY:**

About half of the lessons focus on training and skills and half of the lessons focus on lecture of the various topics included in the CERT Basic Training course. Students are given plenty of time to practice their hands-on skills as these will be utilized in a final disaster simulation.

**MATERIALS REQUIRED:**

Pencils for note taking. Paper will be provided in your binder for note-taking.

**OTHER TIMES TO ATTEND:**

This program is only offered once per year.

**TO GET MORE INFORMATION:**

For further information, please contact Marshall S. Johnson, Emergency Management Coordinator at (248) 347-0556 or email [mjohnson@cityofnovi.org](mailto:mjohnson@cityofnovi.org).