

# BECOME A MEMBER OF THE LAPD DEVONSHIRE AREA COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM



IN MOST DISASTERS, THE VICTIM OR BYSTANDER IS THE FIRST TO RESPOND.  
DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO?

## What is CERT?

CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) is a FEMA-endorsed training program that prepares you to help yourself, your family, your neighbors and your community in the event of a disaster. During an incident, emergency response personnel could become overwhelmed and resources will be limited. By becoming CERT trained, you will gain the skills to help emergency responders save lives and property.



## What Will I Learn?

In the CERT training Series, you will learn:

- How to prepare your home and family for a disaster
- How to perform basic first aid
- How to safely conduct evacuations, search techniques and rescue methods
- How to put out small fires using a fire extinguisher
- Team organization and Disaster psychology, Developing a Response Team, Incident Command Systems
- History of Terrorism, Homeland Defense Tips

## What do CERT Volunteers do?

CERT volunteers are trained to prepare for and respond to a disaster until first responders arrive. You will be taught to manage a disaster in your home, work neighborhood or school. You will help the city with duties such as, providing damage assessment information and providing support to the Fire Department and Police Department.

CLASSES ARE FREE. YOU MUST REGISTER WITH ERICA DE SMITH IN THE SENIOR LEAD OFFICE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 818-363-1726

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FOR SIX CONSECUTIVE MONDAYS FROM 6:30 PM TO 9:30 PM.**