NEIGHBORS TO THE RESCUE

EMPOWERS AUSTIN RESIDENTS

to be leaders in their communities by giving them the tools to help when an emergency or natural disaster happens.

Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) are everyday citizens ready to help their community in case of an emergency or natural disaster. By participating in our free 22-hour CERT trainings, you will learn how to be prepared for specific types of hazards, basic disaster response skills, and your role as a CERT volunteer.



TO REGISTER:

visit

DisasterReadyAustin.com and submit your application online or print and submit it by fax to

512-974-0499

or by mail to the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management:

P.O. Box 1088, Austin, TX 78767-1088

FOR QUESTIONS:

Contact Linda Haynie at 512.974.0471

FALL 2013 CERT Training Schedule

Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. except for Saturday, October 19

Date		Class Topic
September	3	Disaster Preparedness
September	10	Fire Safety & Utility Controls
September	17	Disaster Medical Operations Part - 1
September	24	Disaster Medical Operations Part - 2
October	1	CERT Organization
October	8	Disaster Psychology
October	15	Terrorism Primer
October	19	Light Search & Rescue Operations Course
		Review & Disaster Simulation

JOIN AUSTIN CERT AND GAIN THE SKILLS TO HELP DURING AN EMERGENCY

• Must be at least 18 years old.

• Criminal backgrounds are not required to take part in CERT classes.

However, if you wish to directly assist the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) and first responders during an activation of the Emergency Operations Center, you must be badged, and a criminal background check will be required in order to be issued a CERT badge.