

WE'RE LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD VOLUNTEERS!

CERT Training is a **FREE** Citizen Preparedness course that includes academic and hands-on instruction, as well as a disaster training exercise and is designed to prepare you to help yourself, family, and neighbors in the event of a catastrophic disaster. Emergency personnel may not be able to help everyone immediately so you can make a difference by using CERT Training to save lives and protect property in your neighborhood.

The course will begin on January 24th and run eight consecutive **Thursday evenings** from **6:30 to 9:30 pm** and culminate in a course review and disaster simulation on Saturday, March 9th. Classes will be held at the Grand Island Fire Hall located at 2275 Baseline Road, Grand Island.

Topics covered include:

Disaster Preparedness: Disasters and Disaster Workers, Community Preparedness **Emergency Medical Operations I:** Triage and Treating Life Threatening Injuries

Emergency Medical Operations II: Public Health Considerations and Patient Treatment

Fire Safety: Fire Chemistry, Hazards, Safety and Suppression

Light Search and Rescue: Search and Rescue Size-up and Operations **CERT Team Organization and Incident Command System (ICS 100)**

Disaster Psychology: Impact of Disaster on Rescuers and Victims and its Mitigation **Terrorism & CERT:** Terrorism and its Goals—CERT Protocols for Terrorism Incidents **Disaster Simulation Training Exercise:** Course Review and Hands-on Exercise

Through personal education, training and volunteer service, every individual can help make communities safer, stronger and better prepared to respond to the various threats of terrorism, crime, public health issues, and disasters of all kinds. CERT, developed for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is one of the primary programs offered to the American public to meet this challenge. Participants must be at least 16 years of age, attend all nine (9) class sessions, and register as a Border Community SERVICE Volunteer. Best of all, CERT training is fun and FREE!



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You can also register online and/or view a CERT Community Briefing at: www.niagara.edu/BCS-enrollment