Fact Sheet: Accessible Community Emergency Response Team training

What: Accessible Community Emergency Response Team training (CERT)

The mission of this Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training curriculum is to train individuals and groups from a variety of communities to prepare themselves, their families, their workplaces, and neighbors to respond appropriately in the event of a catastrophic disaster

Why

Specific Goals include:

- 1. To train individuals in emergency preparedness, mitigation, and response.
- 2. Teach the importance of personal safety to individuals who respond to emergencies.
- 3. Provide information about individual and community preparedness for a two week period following a disaster.
- 4. Emphasize knowledge about local resources.
- 5. Train to specific circumstances and learning style of individuals in the classroom
- 6. Train to the participant's personal level of ability.

This training covers basic skills that are important to know in a disaster when emergency services are not available. With training and practice, and by working as a team, participants in this training will be able to protect themselves and do the greatest good for the greatest number of survivors of a disaster.

Who: This class is taught based on learning styles. It is based on the concept of universal accessibility. It is designed for any person who self-identifies as having a disability and members of advocate groups for people with disabilities. Of course, all are welcome!

When: Friday 29 September through 1 October 2017. The class is three days long. The first two days are interactive classroom training. The third day participants will respond as a team to a staged mock disaster.

Where:

Friday, 29 September – Fire Station 17 16917 NE 116th St Redmond WA 98052 **Saturday, 30 September** – Fire Station 17

Sunday October 1st Washington National Guard Armory - 17211 NE 95th St. Redmond WA 98052

Instructional Team: This class is taught by certified emergency management CERT trainers. Each is educated in how to teach to a variety learning styles. The four categories of learning style used in this Accessible CERT class are:

- 1. Visual/verbal learner
 - a. Information is presented visually in written language
 - b. Blackboards and Power Point projection is used
 - c. Outlines are provided to follow lectures
 - d. Textbooks and class notes are available for follow up
- 2. The visual nonverbal learner
 - a. Information is presented visually, in picture or design format
 - b. Instructors will use visual aids
 - c. Information in text is accompanied with pictures and diagrams
- 3. The tactile kinesthetic learner
 - a. Will be physically engaged in class activities
 - b. Will have a hands on environment
 - c. Instructors will engage participants in class demonstrations
- 4. The auditory verbal learner
 - a. Will have information presented orally
 - b. Can listen to a lecture then participate in group discussion about its contents
 - c. Will have instructional team members near them to repeat information as requested
 - d. Can interact with the instructional team and other participants as the information is being presented.

Register to attend at www.redmondccc.org/accessiblecert

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