

CERT CONNECT



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- ✓ WHAT IS CERT'S ROLE?
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Terrorism

CERT volunteer's, along with the general public, play a critical role in identifying suspicious activities occurring with the community. There are typically eight signs of terrorism that signal potential terrorist activity.

Understanding the 8 Signs of Terrorism

Sign 1	Surveillance The targeted area is being watched and studied carefully.
Sign 2	Elicitation Information is gathered that is specific to the intended target.
Sign 3	Test of security Local security measures are tested and analyzed.
Sign 4	Funding Raising, transferring, or spending lost of money.
Sign 5	Acquiring supplies Necessary supplies are gathered to prepare the attack.
Sign 6	Impersonation People impersonating roles to gain access.
Sign 7	Rehearsal and dry runs Groups or individuals determine traffic flow
Sign 8	Deployment Deploying assets and getting into position.



TRAINING

CERT members are encouraged to keep learning and seeking out classes that will strengthen their skills.

**BE RESPONSIBLE!
BE READY!**

National Preparedness Month

Do you have a KIT?

There is no better time to give serious thought to preparedness than NOW! According to emergency preparedness studies it seems:

- Only 25% of Americans have an emergency go-bag.
- 17% Said that they would create one only when disaster is imminent.

JOIN OUR TEAM



We're still looking for volunteers to join our team and help promote emergency

VOLUNTEER SUPPORT OPENINGS!!

- CERT Social Media Member
- CERT Co- Instructor Member
- Logistics Cache Team Member

Sign-Up on the New Website

www.menlofirecert.com



ESSENTIAL ITEMS TO PUT IN A BASIC

EMERGENCY KIT

When a natural disaster strikes, have an Emergency Preparedness Kit pre-stocked and ready to go with basic items that meet the needs of your family.



-  NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS
-  TOILET PAPER
-  BOTTLED WATER
-  FIRST AID KIT & MEDICATIONS
-  MATCHES
-  FLASHLIGHT
-  WHISTLE
-  MONEY
-  BATTERIES & CHARGERS
-  MULTI-TOOL, WRENCH, & CAN OPENER
-  RADIO
-  CLOTHING & BLANKETS
-  PET FOOD & SUPPLIES
-  SANITATION LIQUID OR WIPES

CERT MEMBERS ROLE

CERT members are NOT equipped or trained to respond to terrorist incidents. In NO way should members activate or respond to an incident in their community.

“ If you see something, say something”!

Terrorist frequently select soft targets like schools, parks, large gathering spaces, cafes, and concert halls. It's our mission to keep constant watch for any suspicious activities in our communities



LEARN HOW YOU CAN PLAY A ROLE

If you see something say something

SEPT 25 #SEESAYDAY



CERT DISASTER READY QUIZ

Each month two individuals will be entered into a raffle to win an emergency preparedness prize. In order to be eligible for the raffle, you will need to submit your answers through this online [form](#). You must answer all 5 questions correctly to be eligible for the raffle.

TERRORISM AWARENESS

1. According to our CERT training how many signs of terrorism are there?	A. 4 B. 6 C. 8 D. 10
2. What facility is considered a soft target?	A. Government facilities and Military installations B. Schools and Malls
3. During an active shooter event what is the correct response sequence?	A. Fight, Run, Hide B. Hide, Run, Fight C. Run, Hide, Fight
4. Finish the following phrase?	A. See something- Do nothing B. Do something- Say nothing C. See something-Say something D. Call 811 before you dig.
5. What is the percentage of Americans that have preparedness Go Bag?	A. 10 B. 15 C. 20 D. 25

Raffle
Enter to win!



Binoculars





VOLUNTEER STAFF POSITION



Logistics Team

VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTION

POSITIONS	CERT Logistics Member
CLASSIFICATION	Volunteer Position – Non-Paid
DEPARTMENT	Office of Emergency Management – Menlo Park Fire District
VOLUNTEER POSTING	9/1/2021

PURPOSE OF POSITION:

The CERT Logistics Team Member position is an affiliated position within the Office of Emergency Management. CERT Logistics Team members are responsible for inspecting, maintaining, and transporting caches during disasters if needed. The team members will be responsible for cache inspection, inventory management, restocking, equipment assessment. During an activation the Logistics Team members will deploy and support CERT logistical needs (feeding, equipment support, shelter operations, and command post set-up etc.) of a neighborhood CERT team.

VOLUNTEER FUNCTIONS:

- Conduct equipment and inventory management of each CERT cache within the Fire District and provide status reports to CERT program manager relating to any procurement requests.
- Assist with drafting CERT disaster resource cache protocols.
- Assist with towing and/ or transporting CERT caches to affected disaster neighborhoods or any planned CERT training event.
- Assist with coordinating food, water and shelter operations for the CERT team members when activated or during training events.
- Assist with setting up Incident Command Post for the CERT teams during activations or during planned training events.
- Assists with coordinating “observation days” where CERT members can review disaster resource cache and get familiar with equipment resources.

VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:

Must be willing to commit to no notice activations and support volunteer disaster response activities. Must be capable of lifting 25lbs and moving containers if necessary and work in cramped spaces from time to time. Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions. Demonstrate strong team-work traits, works well with the public, other employees and volunteers.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Must complete a Live Scan background check. Will have to provide copies of DMV records prior to being authorized to tow Fire District trailers.

INTERVIEW/ APPLYING:

Please send a letter of interests for this position to Andres Acevedo (CERT Program Coordinator) acevedo@menlofire.org . Questions related to this volunteer posting can be made at 650-323-0255.