## Who are CERT members?

We are Friends, neighbors, local business owners, co-workers and trained professionals who volunteer their time

## Once I become a CERT what will I do:

- Participate in trainings (local and abroad)
- Attend Local Events

   4th of July Event
   Taste of Tamarac
   Fire Dept. Events
- Attend County events

   Ft. Lauderdale Boat Parade
   Large Concerts on the Beach
   Air Show
- Prepare for large events
- Attend regional classes
- Be the voice in your community
- Train to support emergency operations during a major event.
  - I. Help prepare your neighborhood
  - 2. Learn how to assist at the City Emergency Operations Center
  - 3. Conduct Damage assessments
  - 4. Be the eyes and ears of Emergency Management



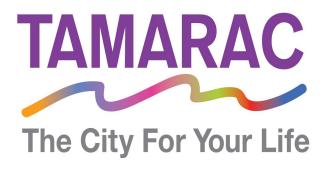
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## Community Emergency Response Team

Tamarac Emergency Management







What is CERT?

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact your area and trains you in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. CERT offers a consistent, nationwide approach to volunteer training and organization that professional responders can rely on during disaster situations, which allows them to focus on more complex tasks. Through CERT, the capabilities to prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters is built and enhanced.

FEMA's Community Emergency Response Team Program trains volunteers to prepare for the types of disasters that their community may face. Through hands-on practice and realistic exercises. Tamarac CERT

The city of Tamarac Fire Rescue CERT program was established in 1999, Today we are always looking for people interested in helping their community in times of need, such as minor emergencies and natural disasters. If you are motivated, resourceful and enjoy lending a helping hand, Than you're perfect for Tamarac's CERT Team.

Tamarac CERT members maintain and refine their skills by participating in exercises and activities on an on going basis. They can also attend supplemental training and volunteer for projects that improve community emergency preparedness.



How Do I become a CERT member?

First: Learn More by visiting Tamarac.org, search for CERT. There you will find info and an online Application. Call 954-597-3805 and you will be provided an email to forward the application to.

Upon receiving a minimum of 15 applications a class is scheduled *this class is free.* Classes run two Friday evenings and two Saturdays. Class consists of classroom and hands on training. Once you have completed the class along with a few pre requisites you will receive a FEMA Certification. This certification can be presented anywhere in the United States and be recognized to join a CERT program should you leave the area..

Upon completion new members receive a team shirt to be worn during trainings and events. After I year attending meetings and events you will receive your equipment, this is a backpack filled with safety and medical supplies. More information will be shared during the first night of class.