

# Community Emergency Response Team



**"Doing the greatest good, for the greatest number of people"**

Whitfield County Emergency Management Agency is looking for participants for their C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team) program.

Local governments prepare everyday for emergencies. However during a disaster, the number and scope of incidents can overwhelm conventional emergency services. Community Emergency Response Team (C.E.R.T.) is a **FREE** risk and hazard awareness training available to you through Whitfield County Emergency Management Agency. This valuable course is designed to help you protect yourself, your family and your immediate community in the event of a major situation in your neighborhood.

C.E.R.T. is a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations where citizens may initially be on their own and their actions can and do make a difference. While people will respond to others in need without the training, one goal of the C.E.R.T. program is to help them do so effectively and efficiently without placing themselves in unnecessary danger, therefore minimizing ones the risk of bodily injury and simply becoming another victim.

**You will receive training in the areas of:**

**\* Disaster Preparedness \* Fire Safety & Fire Extinguishers \* First Aid & Disaster Medical  
\* Light Search & Rescue \* Incident Command \* Disaster Psychology \* Terrorism Awareness \* and More!**

Whitfield Emergency Management Agency will once again offer the C.E.R.T. training course in May 2011. The course is free to residents of Whitfield County. The class will consist of three training days and attendees must attend all sessions in order to receive C.E.R.T certification. The "Final Exam/Mock Disaster Drill" are held on the Saturday of the second week.

## **Class Schedule:**

Saturday, September 17, 8am – 5pm

Sunday, September 18 8am – 5pm

Saturday, September 24 8am – 5pm



Classes are held at the Whitfield County Fire/911/EMA building located at 804 Professional Blvd, Dalton, GA. For additional information about this free program, please contact Whitfield County EMA/911 at: 706 370-4911 or [cert@whitfieldcountyga.com](mailto:cert@whitfieldcountyga.com).

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For additional information about the National C.E.R.T. program, you can visit their website at:

<http://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/>