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Provides disaster information, education, and training that no resident should be without!  
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What is CERT? CERT stands for Community Emergency Response Team. CERT is a group of people that are trained to work as a team to respond to disasters that impact their homes, businesses, and neighborhoods. The CERT program focuses on providing specialized training to organized “teams” to provide vital services within their neighborhoods or businesses, in the absence of emergency responders, whose arrival may be delayed due to the scope of the event.

The CERT Academy provides a minimum of 24 hours of classroom and hands-on training. The CERT Academy is held at Fire Station 34, 343 E. 16th Street, National City, CA 91950. The next CERT Academy is scheduled for the following dates/times:

September 24, 2014, 6-9 PM	Unit 1 Disaster Preparedness
October 1, 2014, 6-9 PM	Unit 2 Fire Safety and Utility Controls
October 8, 2014, 6-9 PM	Unit 3 Disaster Medical Operations, Part 1
October 15, 2014, 6-9 PM	Unit 4 Disaster Medical Operations, Part 2
October 22, 2014, 6-9 PM	Unit 5 Light Search and Rescue Operations
October 29, 2014, 6-9 PM	Unit 6 CERT Organization
November 5, 2014, 6-9 PM	Unit 7 Disaster Psychology
November 12, 2014, 6-9 PM	Unit 8 Terrorism
November 15, 2014, 8:30 AM-12:30 PM	Unit 9 Final

The CERT Academy is offered free of charge, and is open to all residents OR employees of businesses with a physical address in National City or Lincoln Acres. The CERT Academy is designed to be practical, interesting, and fun. While the CERT Academy is interactive, there are no special physical requirements to participate in the program.

In the CERT Academy you will learn fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations/first aid.

CERT is grant funded and our program will be coordinated by the National City Fire Department. All classes are taught by emergency management, fire, and police instructors. The CERT program is an official Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) program. Certificates of Completion are issued to participants at the end of the CERT Training Academy. Up to 24 hours of Community Service Hours may be issued for participating high school students. (Parental approval is required for teens 16 years or older to participate).

If you are interested in attending this CERT Training Academy, call (619) 336-4556 or send an e-mail to: [cert@nationalcityca.gov](mailto:cert@nationalcityca.gov). ONLY 32 slots available. Call now, your community needs you!