

**CERT Training is designed to teach the following Modules:**

- Personal Disaster Preparedness
- Fire Safety - Fire Extinguishers
- Disaster Medical Operations:
  - Triage
  - Medical Assessment
  - Treatment
- Packaging and Transport
- Light Urban Search and Rescue
- Team Organization
- Disaster Psychology
- Terrorism Awareness
- Hazmat Awareness
- Final Hands-on Exercise

*Sessions require about 20 hours total to complete.*

**Target Audience**

- Neighborhood Groups
- Business Teams
- Church Organizations
- Scouting Organizations
- School Staff / Students
- Clubs / Organizations



*For more information about education and training opportunities in Weber County, contact any of the following:*

- Farr West City: 731-4187
- Harrisville City: 782-4100
- Marriott Slaterville City: 731-4859
- North Ogden City: 782-7211
- Ogden Fire Dept: 629-8070
- Plain City: 731-1213
- Pleasant View City: 782-8529
- Riverdale Fire Dept: 394-7481
- Roy Fire Dept: 778-1040
- South Ogden Police Dept: 622-2820
- Weber Fire District: 782-3580
- Weber County Sheriff: 778-6686
- Weber State University: 626-7150
- West Haven City: 731-4519



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*“We will find ways to train and mobilize more volunteers to help when rescue and health emergencies arise.”*

President George W. Bush



Patriotism through Volunteering

## About CERT.....



The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), using the model created by the Los Angeles City Fire Department, began promoting nationwide use of the Community

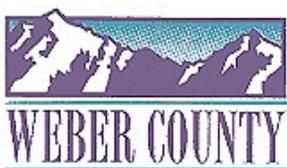
Emergency Response Team (CERT) concept in 1994. Since then, CERTs have been established in hundreds of communities.

The State of Utah Division of Emergency Services (DESHS) then brought CERT to Utah communities that same year and Weber County CERTs were created



from those beginning efforts. Since then, over 500 citizens in Weber County have been trained in CERT emergency response concepts.

CERT training in Weber County promotes a partnering effort between emergency services and the citizens of Weber County. The goal is to train citizens in basic emergency response skills. CERT members are then integrated into the emergency response capability for their



area. If a disastrous event overwhelms Weber County resources, CERT members can assist.

CERT members can assist the community by applying the basic response and organizational skills that they learned during training. These skills can help save and sustain lives following a disaster until help arrives. CERT skills can also apply to daily emergencies.

In Weber County, CERT training is coordinated by a CERT Council which provides for additional exercises and supplemental training. The Weber County CERT Council also provides training manuals to CERT members through a partnership with Ogden Regional Hospital.

## Where it all Started.....

In 1984, Mexico City was devastated by a large earthquake. Los Angeles City Fire personnel traveled to Mexico City to observe the emergency response there. What they witnessed, shocked them. Over 80% of all live rescues from collapsed buildings, was performed by average citizens who were untrained in rescue operations. But, 20 deaths were attributed to would-be-rescuers killed while attempting those rescues.

It was then fire fighters realized that citizens are a front line defense in disasters and therefore need critical training to protect themselves and those who they are rescuing, and to help keep them from becoming victims themselves.



## CERT Training will Train Participants to:

*Describe hazards in their communities.*

*Describe their roles in response.*

*Prepare themselves for a disaster.*

*Identify/reduce fire hazards.*

*Work as a team to apply basic fire suppression strategies, and safety measures to extinguish a fire.*

*Open airways, control bleeding, and treat shock.*

*Conduct Triage and Head-to-Toe Assessments.*

*Establish a Treatment Area.*

*Size up and plan Search and Rescue.*

*Conduct safe victim extrication.*