



- Have you thought about helping your community but don't know where to start?
- Are you looking to become more prepared for emergencies?
- Are you interested in learning more about hazards that are most likely to affect your home, workplace, or neighborhood?

## Consider Joining Somers CERT!

### What is a CERT, and what do they do?

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them 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, allowing them to focus on more complex tasks.

CERT allows **you to meet new people** and become a valuable asset to your community. In addition, you will learn new skills that prove beneficial in emergencies and everyday life.

### Ok, how do I get involved?

To become a CERT member, you must pass the CERT Basic Training.

### When and Where is the next basic training?

The next Somers CERT Basic Training is On Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. At the Somers Fire Department, 400 Main Street, Somers, CT 060712.

Both days begin at 8:00 AM and go all day. Refreshments and lunch are provided on both days.

### Ok, I want to get involved; how do I sign up?

Email the Somers CERT Team Leader, Karen Hocking, at: [somersct.cert@gmail.com](mailto:somersct.cert@gmail.com)