



CERT BASIC COURSE

March 24,25,26 2026

8:00 AM – 5 PM

LOCATION TBD

CERT stands for Community Emergency Response Teams. CERT members are all volunteers. CERT teaches people how to better prepare themselves for hazards that can happen in their communities.

When you join CERT, you help play an important role before, during and after an emergency or disaster. CERT volunteers learn basic disaster response skills, team organization, fire safety protocol and light search and rescue.

Your skills can aid community members when professional first responders may not be immediately available. It also frees up professional first responders to focus on complex and critical tasks.

This course is FREE, but class size is limited, once full the course is closed. It is a great way to serve the community or just learn the skills to help yourself and family members. **YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND, NO EXCEPTIONS**

TO REGISTER: contact the WA State CERT Coordinator, Celso Rangel before the closing date of March 6,2026, by emailing Celso: celso.rangel@ofm.wa.gov

Some of what you will learn:

Unit 1: Disaster Preparedness

Unit 2: CERT Organization

Unit 3: Disaster Medical Operations 1

Unit 4: Disaster Medical Operations 2

Unit 5: Disaster Psychology

Unit 6: Fire Safety and Utility Controls

Unit 7: Light Search and Rescue

Unit 8: Terrorism and CERT

Unit 9: Course Review, Final Exam, and Disaster Simulation Exercise