Purpose: To establish a network of individuals trained in basic emergency response that can assist their families, neighbors, and community in both emergency and non-emergency situations.

The CERT training is free of charge and offered to the citizens of York County (18 yrs. of age and older) as well as to those who work or worship in the county.

If a disastrous event overwhelms or delays our emergency response capabilities, CERT members can assist others in their area by applying the basic response and organizational skills learned through their training. Creating a team of trained CERT members within your neighborhood, at work, or at your place of worship is encouraged.

CERT members are encouraged to maintain and refine their skills by participating in trainings and exercises beyond the original training. Various volunteer opportunities are available to members who want to further enhance the CERT program and/or to improve emergency preparedness knowledge, skills and abilities for others within our community.

Time Commitment: 1 night per week for 8 weeks / Thursdays from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
1 Saturday for the final exercise & graduation 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Location: Public Safety Building Conference Room
301 Goodwin Neck Rd.
Yorktown, VA 23692

Dates & Topics:
September 15, 2016 – CERT Orientation & Organization
September 22, 2016 – Terrorism & Disaster Psychology
September 29, 2016 – Medical Operations I
October 6, 2016 – Medical Operations II
October 13, 2016 – Light Search & Rescue
October 20, 2016 – Fire Suppression & Hazardous Materials
October 27, 2016 – Putting it All Together
November 3, 2016 – Practice for Exercise
November 5, 2016 – Final Exercise & Graduation

Website: http://www.yorkcounty.gov/CountyGovernment/FireLifeSafety/CERT.aspx

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