

# 2017 Washtenaw County CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Basic Training



- Saturday, January 28th, 2017  
(8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, February 4th, 2017  
(8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)
- Saturday, February 11th, 2017  
(8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.)

The Ann Arbor Police Department's Office of Emergency Management in conjunction with the Washtenaw County Emergency Management Division is accepting applications for the Washtenaw County Community Emergency Response Team training program. The application deadline is Friday, January 6th, 2017.

The training courses will held on 1/28/2017, 2/4/2017 and 2/11/2016 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Attendance at all three sessions is required for a certificate of completion.

The CERT program educates residents about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact Washtenaw County and trains participants in basic disaster response skills. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist neighbors or fellow employees following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

The course is a combination of classroom sessions and hands-on training in scene assessment, fire safety, emergency medical response, team organization, disaster medical operations, and light search and rescue. The course also provides information on topics including local threats, hazards, county and city emergency management initiatives and incident command and terrorism.

Citizens interested in participating in the Washtenaw County CERT course can find an application on the City of Ann Arbor website at [www.a2gov.org/departments/police/Pages/Getting-Involved.aspx](http://www.a2gov.org/departments/police/Pages/Getting-Involved.aspx) or call Police Service Specialist Susan Casey with the Ann Arbor Police Department at (734) 794-6900 ext. 49526. A background investigation will be conducted on all applicants, who will then be notified if accepted into the program.