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The Capital Area CERT Programs And California Volunteers

Presents:

RESPONSE EXERCISE 2009

A comprehensive full scale disaster exercise specifically designed
for CERT Members and Teams at all training levels

October 10, 2009
Elk Grove Regional Park
Elk Grove, CA - Sacramento County

Check-in, assignments and Continental Breakfast starting at 6:30 am
Exercise 8:00 am to 1:30 pm
Lunch and Post Exercise Review 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

Tuition - \$20.00 per person (covers continental breakfast, lunch and insurance)

Register at www.yourcsd.com (Limited to 240)

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*The Hilton Hotel and Holiday Inn of Elk Grove are offering participants a
group discount rate of \$79.00 per night (Code - CERT)*

*Tent and RV Camping available at Elk Grove Regional Park (no hook-ups
available) Reserve sites by calling (916) 405-7119*

Response Exercise 2009

Full Scale Earthquake Exercise

Elk Grove, California

October 10, 2009

This exercise is open to CERT members at all training levels

Response Exercise 2009 is a full scale disaster exercise designed specifically for Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT). Hosted by the Capital Area CERT programs and sponsored by California Volunteers and the Sacramento Urban Area Security Initiative, this year's exercise will be held in Elk Grove, California.

A significant earthquake has caused severe damage and compromised the ability of public safety agencies to meet the response demands of the Elk Grove area. A request is made for mutual aid response including CERT members.

Participants in this exercise will have the opportunity to arrive and check-in at an established incident Base Camp; they will receive an Incident Action Plan for the operational period, attend an operational briefing and then be transported to the "earthquake zone" for response activities.

Unlike most exercises, Response Exercise 2009 will provide CERT members the option to choose one of four participant levels - First Responder, Radio Operator, EOC Staff, and Observer. Participants choosing the first responder role will complete three full-scale scenarios over a four hour period.

At check-in, participants choosing the first responder role will be randomly placed into one of three "teams". After briefing the teams will pick-up any necessary supplies from Ground Support and respond to the impact area via bus. On arrival at the impact zone, the teams will each be confronted with a different earthquake related problem.

Scenario #1 - Commuter train derailment with multiple injured parties

<u>Summary of Problems</u>	<u>CERT Activities</u>
Multi-casualty incident	Triage
Small fires	First Aid
Hazard control	Patient packaging
Security	Fire extinguishment
	Casualty Collection

Scenario #2 - Building collapse with rescue (Heavy Rescue unit on-scene)

<u>Summary of Problems</u>	<u>CERT Activities</u>
Person or persons trapped	Heavy lifting
Debris	Cribbing
Building collapse	Shoring
Limited FD rescue personnel available	Patient packaging

Scenario #3 - Urban area search and rescue

<u>Summary of Problems</u>	<u>CERT Activities</u>
Multiple buildings need to be searched	Building searches
Reports of persons trapped	Triage
Power lines down	Hazard control
Multiple small fires	Patient packaging
Utilities compromised	Fire extinguishment
Vehicular traffic	Team coordination
Size of area involved	ICS implementation
	Emergency shoring

Each scenario will last 75 minutes. At the completion of the time, the teams will reassemble and be transported to the next scenario. First responder participants will complete all three scenarios.

Participants choosing the Radio Operator option will be assigned to function as communicator for one of the three teams (12), one of the on-scene public safety Branch Directors (3), or at the incident base in either the Incident Command Post (2) or the Communications trailer (3). Radio Operators should be licensed to operate amateur radios. Radios will be provided if the participant does not have their own portable radio. Non-licensed participants may be radio operators but will be limited to operating public safety radios.

Participants choosing the Emergency Operations Center option will be assigned to participate at the Base Camp in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Adjacent to the Incident Command Post, the EOC will be tracking the incident as it progresses, and will be managing requests from the field for resources and information as needed including determining hospital destinations for patients located during the exercise.

Participants choosing the Observer option will be able to observe the activities of the day without committing to any one scenario or activity. A shuttle bus will be available throughout the duration of the exercise to transport observers from the Base Camp to the scenario areas and back.

Upon completion of the three scenarios, all participants will be transported by bus back to the Base Camp for feeding and debriefing. A vendor display will also be located at the Base Camp for participants to view supplies and equipment available from a variety of disaster and emergency service vendors.

ALL PARTICIPANTS SHOULD BRING THEIR CERT
PACKS AND SAFETY GEAR

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