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Free CERT class provides emergency response training, begins January 8

December 18, 2018 – Learn basic disaster response skills – such as fire safety and light search and rescue – at the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training program, which begins on January 8.

Registration is currently being accepted for the program that is provided by Flagler County Emergency Management in partnership with Flagler Volunteer Services, and can be completed at eoc@flaglercounty.org or 386-313-4200.

Emergency Management Chief Jonathan Lord describes the program as a “win-win.”

“The ultimate goal of the CERT program is to build and support a consistent approach to volunteer training which professional responders can rely on during disaster situations,” he said. “When the local volunteers are trained in these disaster response protocols, it allows our Fire Rescue and law enforcement personnel to focus on more complex tasks, while it positions the volunteers to bring a valuable skillset to their community.”

The Winter 2019 CERT program will educate residents about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact Flagler County. It provides training in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

Classes will be held at Flagler County Emergency Operations Center every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5 to 9:30 p.m. beginning January 8 and running through January 31 with one final Saturday session from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. February 2.

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