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Free Community Emergency Response Team training begins March 23

February 25, 2020 – Learn basic disaster and emergency response skills – such as disaster preparedness, fire safety, and basic first aid – at the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training program that begins on March 23.

Emergency Management Director, Jonathan Lord, describes the program as an important partnership between the community and professional first responders.

The 30-hour training, which is being offered on consecutive Monday and Wednesday evenings for five weeks, will include topics such as disaster preparedness, basic fire safety, utility controls, basic first aid, light search and rescue, disaster psychology, terrorism, as well as team organization. It concludes with a hands-on disaster simulation.

“This course will improve our communities’ preparedness by educating residents about how to prepare for and respond to the potential hazards in our area,” Lord said. “Providing our residents with these basic disaster skills allows our first responders to focus on the most critical needs in a disaster.”

Registration is currently being accepted by emailing eoc@flaglercounty.org or calling 386-313-4200. Flagler County Emergency Management is providing this no-cost, 30-hour program in partnership with Flagler County Fire Rescue, and Flagler Volunteer Services.

For more information, go to www.flaglercounty.org/emergency and click on “Volunteering and Training,” or contact Flagler County Emergency Management at eoc@flaglercounty.org or 386-313-4200.

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