



Santa Barbara City Fire Department  
Office of Emergency Services

## CERT Training

# Course Topics

**Disaster Preparedness:** Instructs participants how to prepare themselves and their community for a the various types of hazards that can occur.

**Fire Suppress:** Covers fire chemistry, fire hazards and fire suppression strategies. The course also covers hazardous materials.

**Medical Ops Part I:** Participants practice diagnosing and treating the three deadly killers by using simple triage and rapid treatment techniques.

**Medical Ops Part II:** Cover evaluating patients, establishing a medical treatment area, and performing basic first aid.

**Lt. Search & Rescue:** Participants learn light search and rescue planning, techniques and rescuer safety.

**Team Organization:** Addresses CERT organization and management principles necessary for a CERT to operate successfully.

**Disaster Psychology:** Covers signs and symptoms that might be experienced by the disaster victim and worker.

**Terrorism:** Do's and don'ts during a terrorist act and homeland defense tips.

**Course Review and Disaster Simulation:** Participants review the course and practice the skills that they have learned during the previous seven sessions in a disaster simulation.