El Dorado County CERT program seeks volunteers

El Dorado County Community Emergency Response Team program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace 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 CERT Academy is offered to prospective CERT volunteers through the El Dorado County Office of Emergency Services in cooperation with Georgetown Fire District.

The academy consists of 24 hours in six day:

May 8, 6:30-8:30pm

May 9, 6:30-8:30pm

May 10, 8:30am-4:30pm

May 15, 6:30-8:30pm

May 16, 6:30-8:30pm

May 17, 8:30am-4:30pm.

Although the training is being held in Georgetown it is open to all county residents.

For more information or to sign up, call Laura Webster

530.333.0214 or Bob Maherly 530.823.6680.