

Community Emergency Response Training

Participants Manual



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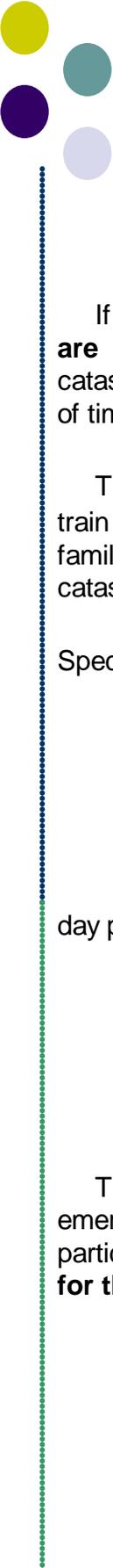
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Mission and Goals

If available communities should use **emergency services personnel because they are the best trained and equipped to handle emergencies**. However, following a catastrophic disaster, individuals and the community may be on their own for short periods of time because of the size and scope of the situation.

The **Mission** of this Community Emergency Response Training curriculum is to train individuals and groups from a variety of communities to prepare themselves, their families, their workplaces and neighbors to respond appropriately in the event of a catastrophic disaster.

Specific **Goals** include:

1. To train individuals in emergency preparedness, mitigation and response.
2. Teach the importance of personal safety to individuals who respond to emergencies.
3. Provide information about individual and community preparedness for a three-day period following a disaster.
4. Emphasize knowledge about local resources.
5. Train to the specific circumstances of the individuals in the classroom.
6. Train to the participant's personal level of ability.

This training covers basic skills that are important to know in a disaster when emergency services are not available. With training and practice and by working as a team, participants in this training will be able to protect themselves and **do the greatest good for the greatest number of survivors of a disaster**.