JANUARY 2017







Montgomery County CERT General Meeting





Tonight's Agenda

- CERT Business
 - Upcoming Schedule
 - GoTeam in 2017







Reports



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- Teen CERT
 - Instructors needed; Contact Kathee if available
 - Sessions are Sunday and Thursday at Old Station 8
 - 12:30-1630; 1/15; 1/19; 1/29
 - UN 3 on 1/15; Un 7 on 1/19
- CERT Winter class 2/22- 3/25







Outreach



Outreach Opportunities

- Researching STORM CAMP Date
 - Anticipate early April 2017
 - Principals- please indicate April availability
 - Looking at East County venue
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service & Volunteer Fair
 - January 16, 2017, 1000-1200
 - Silver Spring Civic Building, Silver Spring
- Montgomery County Service Learning & Volunteer Fair
 - 1 Feb 2017, 1100-1300, Germantown Campus







Operations



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Checking dates for upcoming WMATA training dates







Virtual CERT



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- Supported Humanity Road on 1/7 for coastal storm.
- Watch for email when the next "big snow" is forecasted for our area.
- V/CERT observes and answers WX related questions







Training



Winter CERT Basic 2017

- Wednesday, February 22nd through March 25th 2017
- Expect instructor meeting late January/Early February.



TEEN CERT Class Support

- Sundays (1230-1630) & Thursdays (1900-2100)
 - January and February classes will be held.
 - Expecting to present Unit 3 on 1/15; Unit 7 on 1/19
 - Contact Kathee Henning if you can assist with either of those dates.



Training Opportunities

- ASHI Friends & Family CPR (Adult Only)
- January 25th at PSHQ, 1830 to 2130.
- 800 MHz radio training (1/24/17)
 - Preference given to first time GoTeam members







Upcoming Events







FEATURED SPEAKER



GoTeam Operations

Greg St. James CERT Program Manager



GoTeam Qualifications- Chief Duty Officer (CDO)

CDO Requirements

- Has County ID
- Member is in good standing.
- Uses CERVIS.
- One year active membership.
- Has lead a field training exercise (FTX).
- Observed for readiness.
- Completed WMATA training.
- MCFRS ride along.
- Acted as deputy CDO in an exercise.
- Willing to sign up a week at a time for on-call duties.



GoTeam Qualifications- Dispatcher

Dispatcher

- Understands CERVIS from a technical level.
- Holds or has applied for County ID.
- Member in good standing- active CERT membership.
- Has trained with dispatch team and conducted a monthly test.
- Observed for system understanding by lead dispatcher.
- Willing to sign up a week at a time for on-call duties.



GoTeam Qualifications- Member

- Member
 - Holds or as applied for County ID
 - Member in good standing; Team player
 - **Utilizes CERVIS**
 - Regular participant in exercises
 - Observed for understanding of GoTeam mission



GoTeam Mission

- Deliverables:
 - Assist with hi-rise building evacuation
 - Search: grid or line
 - Damage assessment (rapid) using FEMA criteria:
 - None
 - Minor
 - Major
 - Destroyed



GoTeam Objectives- CDO

- Structure
 - Weekly Duty Calendar
- Requirements
 - Monitor text and email around the clock
 - Using smart phones in the field to ensure message receipt.
 - Able to respond anytime during assigned week within 60-90 minutes.



GoTeam Operations- Activation

- Div. Chief Alan Hinde calls Greg (our Program Manager) with incident.
- Greg calls CERT Duty Officer (CDO) AND CERT Dispatcher on duty.
- Dispatch sends message to GoTeam members via CERVIS to deploy to incident.
- Members reply to CERVIS message to deploy to scene with ETA.
- First member arriving at the rally point is the staging manager.
- When team is assembled at rally point, CDO reports to IC on the scene for orders.
- CDO brings orders back from IC back to rally point and assembles teams to deploy.
- Team deploys and completes mission.
- All deployed members check in with dispatcher at the end of their shift when they are "off duty".
- CDO provides PARS Report and that all team members checked in after incident.
- CDO provides completed incident forms.



GoTeam Roles & Responsibilities

- Roles and Responsibilities for:
 - CERT Program Manager
 - CDO
 - Dispatcher
 - Staging Manager
 - Team Leads (floor wardens)
 - Team Members



- CERT Program Manager
 - Receives call from Div. Chief Hinde
 - Contacts CDO and CERT Dispatcher
 - Responsible for our response and performance during incident



- CERT Duty Officer (CDO)
 - Receives call from CERT Program Manager.
 - Directs and Manages CERT assets on the scene.
 - Reports to the IC on the event/incident.
 - Manages CERT portion of response.
 - Receives and utilizes info from CERT Dispatcher and relays on-scene information back to dispatch.



CERT Dispatcher

- Receives call from Program Manager with incident information.
- Prepares the email and text message sends it via CERVIS to GoTeam.
- Builds PARS from responses to call out message.
- Sends PARS to CDO at the scene and copies Program Manager.
- Receives messages from GoTeam members as they go "off duty".
- Makes final report to Program Manager and CDO that all members are safe in quarters after the incident is complete.



Staging Manager

- First member on scene becomes the staging manager.
- Sizes up scene at rally point; confirms location and reports to dispatcher.
- Provides SITREP to CDO when they arrive.
- Assists with group gear distribution as needed.
- Oversees area while CDO receives briefing from IC.
- Contacts dispatch when staging area is closed and team has deployed.



Team Leads

- Responsible for their team members in a specific area.
- Compiles and relays data to CDO.
- Signals danger, relays evacuation orders from CDO.
- Provides SITREPS to CDO
 - Progress
 - Problems
 - Resource Issues



- GoTeam Members
- Performs tasks associated with incident.
- Reports findings to team lead.
- Takes direction from team lead or CDO.
- Provides SITREPS to team lead.
- Reports "off duty" status to dispatcher at end of deployment.



- Minimum Equipment List (MEL)
 - CERT ID, vest, helmet/cap.
 - CERT GoTeam uniform (seasonally adjusted).
 - Seasonally adjusted outerwear.
 - Sturdy shoes with ankle protection.
 - First aid kit (to treat you if you are injured).
 - Two light sources (e.g. flashlight and head lamp) and reserve batteries
 - Whistle, notepad, pen/pencil/crayon, smartphone, cable, portable battery charger.
 - Water, snacks, meds (if any).
 - Pack to carry the above items.



Group Gear

- MURS radios, gallon zip lock bags, sharpie markers, duct tape.
- Area lighting for stair wells (flood lamps, glow sticks etc.)
- Medic "jump bag" (triage tags, extra bandages, splints, tools, etc.)
- Notes of who got what (especially with the radios)
- Material to make signs, triage tarps.
- Maps and forms.
- Bag to carry the above items
- Note: some group gear may be issued in advance



- GoTeam Dashboard and Duty Calendar
 - Where to find it
 - How to Sign Up



- Notes from Div. Chief Hinde
- Embedded CERT Members make community more resilient.
- Force multiplier as we are trained to a higher level.
- Be great at what we do (our deliverables).
- Fill the role and be reputable. CDO's expected on ride-along.
- Expose CERT members to mass casualty support, mobile ambulance or evacuation bus assistance.
- GoTeam target stand up date is May 1, 2017.



- MCFRS Nomenclature Review
- MCFRS Procedures Review



Next General Meeting

- Thursday February 9th 2017
 - Sign up in CERVIS







Thank You!