

Newago County

Emergency Services



WHAT WE DO

With formal training, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) team members have the knowledge and skills to help save lives and protect property. Team Members are trained to assist local emergency responders in the following areas: Search and Rescue, First Aid Stations, Traffic Control, Damage Assessment, Evacuation, Emergency Shelter Operations, Organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site, General Emergency Management duties. During large community events, the CERT and MRC Team also help promote emergency preparedness and provide incident safety, traffic control, medical first aid, and communications.

WHY JOIN THE TEAM

CERT and MRC team member Steve Johnson had this to say about being a part of the MRC team: Numerous skills that are useful to the team, as well as me (traffic control/safety, first aid, basic life support, basic search/rescue/recovery, using GPS, etc.). I've also been able - after completing numerous online and in-person FEMA basic training - being able to access some incredible resident FEMA-sponsored programs that are 3-5 days long and involve travel out of state to places like the Center for Disaster Preparedness, New Mexico Tech Energetic Materials Testing/Research and the Nevada National Security Site for advanced training experiences.

TOP 5 REASONS TO BECOME A CERT AND MRC MEMBER:

1. Gain valuable training, skills, and experience
2. Strengthen your resume
3. Learn what to do during an emergency
4. Make a difference
5. Help people in a time of need

HOW TO JOIN

APPLICATION:

Information on
Membership Requirements
Application
Background Check Policy
Required Training
and more can be found at
www.newagocountymi.gov

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Emergency Preparedness



Basic Kit

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day, for drinking and sanitation
 - Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
 - Battery-powered radio and a NOAA Weather
 - Radio with tone alert, and extra batteries for both
 - Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
 - Infant formula and diapers, if you have an infant
 - Moist towelettes, garbage bags, and plastic ties for personal sanitation
 - Dust mask or cotton t-shirt to help filter the air
 - Plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
 - Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
 - Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)

Clothing and Bedding

Living in a cold weather climate, you must think about warmth. It is possible that the power will be out and you will not have heat. Rethink your clothing and bedding supplies to account for growing children and other family changes. One complete change of warm clothing and shoes per person, including: Jacket or coat, Long pants, Long sleeve shirt, Sturdy shoes, Hat and gloves. Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person

Additional Items

Listed below are other items for your family to consider adding to your kit:

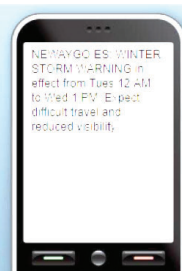
Light Stick, Emergency Candle, Multi-Tool, Rain gear, Mess kits, paper cups, plates, plastic utensils, Cash or traveler's checks and change, Paper towels, Fire Extinguisher, Tent, Compass, Matches in a waterproof container, Signal Flare, Paper, pencil



STAY INFORMED. STAY CONNECTED.

RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS ABOUT:

- Severe weather
- Crime alerts / missing persons
- Large power outages
- Emergency evacuations
- Safety and security alerts



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