

CERT NEWSLETTER

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CERT Participates in Airport Mass Casualty Incident

(MCI) Drill. On May 17th, 36 members of our CERT team gave their entire day to participate in a Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) drill at the Monterey Airport. The drill simulated a plane crash, with approximately 60 victims. Injuries ranged from minor to life threatening and fatal. Fire, Emergency Medical Services and Law Enforcement agencies participated in this FAA required drill. A Coast Guard C-130 transport plane was used for the incident site.



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Training Refresher: Maintaining Your Emergency Supplies:

Our family always comes first! Make sure you have as many emergency supplies as you can reasonably maintain and store. **Have cash. Credit cards can fail in a disaster.** Essentials:

- Water 1 gallon per person per day, water purification tablets
- Non-perishable food consistent with your regular diet (preferably canned or freeze dried that does not require cooking), instant coffee, tooth paste, soap, toiletries
- Don't forget your pets! Have pet food AND a travel cage. Shelters do not allow pets that are not in a cage. Have collars and leashes so you can safely walk your pets.
- Can opener, utility tool, roll of duct tape
- Prescription meds, eye glasses
- Basic first-aid kit, Mylar blankets
- Changes of clothes, jackets, thermal underwear
- Aspirin, Benadryl (for allergic reactions), nausea medicine, sunscreen
- AM/FM portable radio, flashlight and batteries
- Plastic trash bags (can also be used as a toilet when placed in a bucket) toilet paper
- Have alternative meeting locations for your family in the event you cannot get home
- Consult **Unit 1** of the CERT online Participant Manual for more information:
http://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1446216182939-02eb347496f7038f9856601f42da700b/Section_4_PM_Unit_1.pdf

New CERT Class: The next CERT class for new members will be our weekend series, occurring on **Saturday September 10th, Saturday September 17th and Sunday September 18th**. Time each day is 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Attendance over all three days is necessary to graduate. Interested persons e-mail: training@monterecert.org

CERT Trailer Now Ready For Deployment! CERT members worked hard to install a communications desk and console, plus store and secure an equipment inventory similar to that of our neighborhood containers, including the same base radio and compliment of hand-held units. Also similar to our neighborhood containers, the trailer has a roof mounted solar panel to keep the radio batteries fully charged, also installed by CERT! These features allow us to deploy the trailer and have a full rescue and communications capability immediately.



The trailer and inventory are fully funded by the taxpayers of the City of Monterey.