



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Fire

CM/ DCM/ ACM: Frank Dixon, Assistant City Manager

DATE: 08/02/2022

SUBJECT

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding the Community Emergency Response Team program.

BACKGROUND

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the 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. CERT offers a consistent, nationwide approach to volunteer training and organization that professional responders can rely on during disaster situations, allowing them to focus on more complex tasks. CERT training is a 24-hour course that encompasses emergency preparedness, first aid and search and rescue. The CERT curriculum is standardized throughout the nation and must be taught by a certified instructor.

Denton County has had an active CERT program for over 17 years, which have responded to numerous emergencies throughout Denton County. The presentation will provide the pros and cons of starting a brand new program for the City of Denton or continue to use Denton County's CERT volunteers.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1: Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2: Presentation

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