

## **CERT Participation Levels**

### ***Level 1 – Basic***

These are class participants who have chosen not to apply to join a CERT Team. During a disaster they will help at the family and neighborhood level.

They may identify themselves as CERT trained, but not as CERT Team members.

#### **Mandatory**

- Complete the 21-hour FEMA certified CERT Basic Training Course
- Complete at least 5 hours of continuing education per year

### ***Level 2 – Team***

CERT Team member

#### **Mandatory**

- Complete requirements for Level 1
- Be sworn in as a Disaster Service Worker (DSW)
- Join a CERT Team within Santa Cruz County
- Complete the following online courses (Fema.gov/IS/)
  - IS100a -- Basic Incident Command System
  - IS200b -- ICS for Single Resource and Initial Actions Incidents
  - IS700a – Introduction to the National Incident Management System (NIMS)

### ***Level 3 – Leadership***

Assume a leadership position/or complete additional training

#### **Mandatory**

- All CERT Level 1 and 2 requirements
- Leadership meetings, training classes, and exercises

#### **Optional**

- CPR/First Aid/AED class
- Shelter Fundamentals and Shelter Simulation (American Red Cross)
- CERT Animal Response I and II
- Communications (Classroom)
- Traffic Safety Management (Classroom)
- Head-to-Toe Examination Review (Classroom)

### ***Ineligible***

Those removed for violation of the Code of Conduct