RECERTIFICATION

Team CERT status involves ongoing participation by attendance at Team meetings/trainings, Countywide trainings, individual study and other activities deemed appropriate by responsible Team Leader.

Recertification (necessary every 5 years) involves:
- A minimum of 25 hours of continuing education in 5 years with the suggestion of completing at least 5 hours per year. CERTs will maintain documentation of their continuing education.
- Successful completion of FEMA IS 100 -- Introduction to Incident Command System
- CERTs requesting recertification within 3 - 6 months before Disaster Service Worker (DSW) Badge expiration date or for CERT only -- 5 years from Basic Training graduation date.
- Making an appointment to complete the DSW request form, have new photo taken, the oath of allegiance and receiving updated CERT Program information. *Contact Mary Edmund at certauxiliary@gmail.com and request an appointment. She will contact you with the details.*

Other information:
- Team Leaders have responsibility for tracking member's 5-year expiration date.
- CERTs may renew CERT recertification without DSW Badge renewal. In this case you will still make an appointment but without DSW processing.
- Examples of education/training recognized:
    o Team meetings and training
    o Simulated Exercises put on by Teams (up to 4 hours credit)
    o Modules in Basic CERT course offered in County (must sign in on class roster or recorded on zoom)
    o CERT Auxiliary Continuing Education classes and exercises
    o Regional Training and Exercise Program (Urban Area Security Initiative — UASI)
    o CPR or AED training
    o Any educational program that refreshes or expands their disaster skills or knowledge
    o The following are examples of interactive trainings and courses with hours credit based on course times. Students need to verify with completion certificate offered by appropriate agency.
        Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) online courses:
            ▪ IS-317 CERT Basic Course (2 hours credit)
            ▪ IS 315 CERT \ The Incident Command System
        National Incident Management System (NIMS) online courses:
            ▪ IS-200b ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incident
            ▪ IS-700a National Incident Management System (NIMS)

- IS-800 National Response Framework, An Introduction

Red Cross sponsored classes:

- Disaster Services Overview
- Shelter Fundamentals (online)
- First Aid and CPR/AED
- Disaster Response Training
- Emergency Preparedness Education

Questions? Ask your Team Leader if course or training is appropriate. Or email certauxiliary@gmail.com for more information or further questions.

Uncertified status: Individuals are expected to complete the appropriate recertification activities over 5 years. Members who fail to do so will become inactive. They will be ineligible for call-up as a CERT volunteer and treated as a spontaneous volunteer in an emergency situation. To re-engage as a CERT they must retake CERT Basic Training and have mastery of Basic CERT knowledge and skills.

Basic CERT Training class completion: While completing all modules during the regular course of instruction it is preferable, individuals have one year from the end of the course to complete missed modules. All in-person modules in the Basic CERT Training course are taught throughout the County and may be used as make-up. Students must sign in on the class roster or be on the zoom roster as a make-up class.

Online CERT Training Phase 1 is an additional option. Students may take the modules in any order and at their own pace. Students will receive a completion certificate. To be certified phase 2 and 3 must be completed within a year.