



Monterey CERT

NEWSLETTER

September 2023 *“Training And News For The Monterey, CA COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM”.*

A Monterey citizen volunteer emergency response team funded by the City of Monterey

CERT Drill For All CERT Graduates Saturday September 30th 0845-1200. Staging is the EOC behind Fire Sta. 1

42 CERT Members Participate In August 26th Drill For Alert Responders. On Saturday, August 26th the Monterey CERT program held a hands-on skills drill for our alert system group of volunteers. After reporting to Staging at the Skyline Forest CERT container and receiving their briefing, members were divided into three teams and rotated through different emergency scenarios that involved the rescue of trapped and missing persons. A full Incident Command System (ICS) was established and communications maintained using the FAA licensed CERT radio frequencies. Our thanks to Pacific Gas & Electric Senior Public Safety Specialist Stewart Roth for his participation to enhance our training and make the experience more realistic. **Below: Briefing**





Above: CERT responders assess a patient and prepare to place her on a backboard for transportation to Staging. Below: CERT responders treat a victim prior to bringing him up an embankment using a Stokes Litter, Backboard and ropes.





Above: A CERT group transports an injured victim to safety



Above: PG&E Senior Public Safety Specialist Stewart Roth (Left) and Monterey Fire Department Division Chief Chris Grogan (Right)

CERT Activated to Search For Missing Child



On Saturday, August 26 at 1345 hours, Monterey Police Department activated CERT to assist in looking for 8 years old Nevaeh Rose Daniels. She briefly went missing near her residence in Monterey. **The alert was quickly cancelled as Nevaeh was located soon after the alert was sent.**

Next CERT Radio Drill is Monday, September 18th at 7 P.M.
All CERT members are encouraged to participate as the radios are our primary method of communications and how we track the location and safety of teams in the field.

Take a few minutes to review this excellent video on the use of our radios, produced by our own CERT Zone Captain Greg Netzorg:

<https://youtu.be/i8b3ddjur3M>

EVERYONE MUST BE PREPARED TO EVACUATE!



Above: Devastation in Lahaina on the Island of Maui

The fast moving and devastating fires in Lahaina, on The Island of Maui underscores the need to everyone to be ready to evacuate quickly during an emergency! At this writing, over 100 lives are known to have perished, with more being discovered each day.



Alert Monterey County has a “Reverse 911 System” that allows you to register your cell phone to receive alerts in your area. When an evacuation occurs in Monterey County, your home phone can receive the evacuation notice. **YOUR CELL PHONE WILL NOT RECEIVE THE ALERT UNLESS YOU PRE-REGISTER WITH THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY!!!** This takes only a few minutes at this link: [Alert Monterey County | Monterey County, CA](https://www.alertmontereycounty.org/monterey-county-ca)

Consult the website: ready.gov/evacuation for evacuation planning

There Are Some Easy, BUT IMPORTANT Steps You Can Take To Be Prepared To Evacuate Quickly. When in doubt LEAVE!

Keep some emergency supplies in your garage or near the front door so you have some food & water ready to take with you

Always keep a small suitcase packed and ready to go. Include one week of prescription medications. Keep your vehicle gas tanks full.

Take photos of EVERYTHING in your home, record those photos on a thumb drive. Keep that drive in a safe deposit box. This will allow you to fully document your home and possessions to an insurance company.



Above: Lake Tahoe Evacuees Stuck In A Traffic Jam, Summer 2022

Remember the pets! Most shelters do NOT accept uncaged pets, so have a pet carrier and keep some pet food with your mobile disaster supplies.

KNOW YOUR EVACUATION ROUTES!!!! There are areas of the Monterey Peninsula where emergency egress routes are limited, such as areas of Pebble Beach, Carmel Valley and the Highlands. Make sure you know alternate evacuation routes out of your area!

Family Expresses Their Thanks To The Community For Search Efforts To Find Salvatore Lucido.

On July 24th, Monterey CERT was activated by the Monterey Police Department to assist in the search for a missing, at-risk male adult. CERT members deployed in their designated search areas for several hours. The subject remained missing for several more days before being located. Mr. Lucido was found deceased. The family wishes to express their appreciation to all who assisted in the search. Below is their FACEBOOK post.



Joe Lucido

5 hours ago · 🌐



Unfortunately, Tory's story has ended in the worst possible way. We want to thank everyone for the enormous effort everyone put in, family, friends, and people that did not even know him. But they have recovered Tory's body. Our hearts are broken, but please give family our privacy. Thank you all again for your thoughts, prayers and support. The Lucido family.



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Consult with your team leader to view your CERT container

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