

# Community Emergency Response Team Training

Begins Tuesday September 20, 2016



Classes are held on six Tuesdays and one Saturday

Date	Session
September 20, 6:30-9:30 PM	Overview: Disaster Preparedness
September 27, 6:30-9:30 PM	Fire Suppression/ Utility Controls
October 4, 6:30-9:30 PM	Disaster Medical Operations - I
October 11, 6:30-9:30 PM	Disaster Medical Operations - II
October 18, 6:30-9:30 PM	Light Search and Rescue
October 25, 6:30-9:30 PM	CERT Organization / Disaster Psychology
October 29, 9:00 AM-Noon	Terrorism, Table Top Exercise/ Final Test Review
October 29, 1:00-4:30 PM	Disaster Final Exercises, Graduation



## Location:

Sedro Woolley Fire Department  
325 Metcalf St, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

## To Register:

Email [dem@co.skagit.wa.us](mailto:dem@co.skagit.wa.us)

or

Call 360-416-1850

If an earthquake or other major disaster struck your neighborhood, would you be willing to help rescue people and provide basic first aid until police, fire and EMS personnel arrive?

If so, then join the **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)**.

The **CERT** program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as:

- **Fire Safety**
- **Light Search and Rescue**
- **Team Organization**
- **Disaster Medical Operations**

Utilizing the training learned in the classroom and exercises, **CERT** members can assist their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help.

**CERT** members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

**For more information:**

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# Skagit Lethality Assessment Program (LAP)

Skagit Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services

August 22, 2016

## History of the Lethality Assessment Screen

- 25 years of research in the field of domestic violence homicide
- Development of 20-question *Danger Assessment*
- Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence refined DA to develop the LAP
- Field use since 2005
- Currently in 34 states

**“A supported intervention”**

(CDC) Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

## The Lethality Assessment Screening Tool

- Officer determines danger level as the scene of an intimate partner domestic disturbance
- When appropriate, officer will ask victim 11 questions on the LAP
- If victim “screens in” the officer will call Skagit DVSA; ask victim to speak with advocate
- Advocate will do emergency safety plan, determine if appropriate for shelter
- Advocate will follow-up with victim within 24 hours

## Benefits of the LAP

- Reduction in DV and collateral homicides
- Reduction in near-fatal DV injuries
- Reduction in re-assault rates
- Fewer law enforcement call-outs
- Greater victim satisfaction with law enforcement

**“A leading promising practice”**

(OVW) Office of Violence Against Women

## Why Here? Why Skagit County?

- Only 0.67 DV-related homicides per year in Skagit County since 2006
- For every DV homicide there are 8.5 near-fatal injuries
- These near-fatal incidents require law enforcement intervention
- With the LAP’s proven record of reducing highly lethal DV, we have the opportunity to address the potential problem of DV homicides before it becomes a problem in Skagit County



*Support - Empower - Prevent*

