



## Westport-Weston CERT — Community Emergency Response Team

### *Who are we?*

We are volunteer emergency responders who backup the uniformed services: fire, police and EMS.

### *What do we do?*

When there's an emergency, disaster or crisis, we are there as extra help. During Hurricane Sandy, we ran the emergency shelter. During the COVID pandemic, we oversaw the vaccine clinics. We also promote awareness about emergency preparedness to the community.

### *What else do we do throughout the year?*

CERT helps with community activities, such as the 4th of July fireworks, 9/11 United Ride Motorcade and Makers Faire. CERT is part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and our call to duty comes through the Emergency Management Director of the Westport Fire Department. We meet every other month, participate in on-going training and work with other towns along the coast. CERT members are initially trained using a national certification program that addresses a wide range of areas, including Disaster Preparedness, Fire Safety, First Aid, Medical Operations, Light Search and Rescue Operations, Incident Command System and Disaster Psychology.

### *How can you get involved?*

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