

Search and Rescue in Community Disasters  
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training

The Vigo County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) has offered to provide the Emergency Preparedness Sub-committee of the Terre Haute Deanery Outreach and Service Commission two seminar opportunities to prepare parishes and individuals on the basics of disaster preparedness. During the Deanery Strategic Planning process, the Deanery parishes identified Disaster Preparedness as the 2nd priority for the Deanery Outreach and Service Commission.

The seminar is presented by TEEX, Texas A & M University Extension, and is FREE. The seminar is designed to provide training for community members to safely conduct search and light rescue responses to aid their families and neighbors in the immediate aftermath of a natural catastrophe, technological accident, or human-caused incidents, prior to the arrival of highly-trained first responders. The course is intended for members of the whole community and draws on information and lessons learned from a variety of disaster incidents such as hurricanes, tornados, and man-made events. **This course is aimed at those who are most affected in a community impacted by a disaster: those who live and work there.**

This first of its kind course guides participants to:

- *Develop a survivor's mindset*
- *Prepare for a disaster*
- *Utilize common household items as tools to rescue themselves, their families (co-workers), and their neighbors*
- *Determine if they are able to wait for help or they should evacuate*
- *Begin the recovery process*

Students will receive a Survival Guide that includes a checklist and resources, along with many of the search and rescue tactics learned in the course.

The 12-hour seminar will be held at Sacred Heart of Jesus, 2322 N 131/2 St., Terre Haute, IN, as follows:

Tuesday through Thursday, January 26, 27, 28 from 6pm to 10pm (Session 1)

**OR**

Friday, January 29 from 6pm to 10pm & Saturday, January 30 from 8am to 4pm (Session 2)

A dinner meal will be served at each evening course and lunch will be served on Saturday.

If you are interested in this disaster preparedness training, please contact the Vigo County Emergency Management Agency at [ema@vigocounty.in.gov](mailto:ema@vigocounty.in.gov) or 812-462-3217. A registration form is attached.

Questions or concerns may be directed to Vigo County Emergency management Agency at 812-462-3217

\*\*\* A PSID NUMBER IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THIS COURSE\*\*\*



## VIGO COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TRAINING APPLICATION

Instructions: Please type or print all information  
Completed applications may be e-mailed to Dorene Hojnicky, [ema@vigocounty.in.gov](mailto:ema@vigocounty.in.gov)  
Faxed to: 812-234-0691  
Mailed to: Dorene Hojnicky, 915 S. Petercheff St, Terre Haute, IN 47803

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Date Received:	Prerequisite(s) met? <b>NONE for PER 334</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
Full Legal Name			
Public Safety ID Number		Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy)	
Mailing Address (number and street, city, state and Zip code)			County
Mobile Telephone Number	Work Telephone Number	Fax Number	Other Telephone Number
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E-mail address		Driver's License Number	
Organization represented		Position in Organization	
Terre Haute Deanery			
Discipline (check all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Management Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Medical Services <input type="checkbox"/> Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____			
Name of course (One (1) course per application)			Date of Course (mm/dd/yy)
Search and Rescue in Community Disasters PER 334 <input type="checkbox"/> January 26, 27, 28, 2016			<b>OR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> January 29 & 30, 2016
Courses taken to meet prerequisite, including certificate issue date(s)			
<b>NONE REQUIRED</b>			
Special Needs:			
Briefly describe your activities or responsibilities as they relate to this course:			
I certify the information recorded on this application is correct. I understand that falsification of information may result in dismissal from the course. I agree to abide by the rules, policies, set forth in the Training regulation guidelines. Failing to do so may result in expulsion from the course and possible barring from future courses.			
Signature of applicant			Date (mm/dd/yy)
Signature of agency or department head			Date (mm/dd/yy)
Title			
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