

*Arizona*

*Citizen Corps Program*



*Committed Citizens for a Prepared Community*

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## *International ShakeOut Day – October 18*

**Join Us**  
in the  
**World's Largest**  
**Earthquake Drill.**  
October 18, 2018  
**ShakeOut**  
www.ShakeOut.org

Many areas of the globe are prone to earthquakes. You could be anywhere when an earthquake strikes: at home, at work, at school or even on vacation. Are you prepared to survive and to recover quickly?

Great ShakeOut earthquake drills are an opportunity to practice how to be safer during earthquakes: "Drop, Cover and Hold On." ShakeOut also has been organized to encourage you, your community, your school, or your organization to update emergency plans and supplies, and to secure your space in order to prevent damage and injuries.



For more information, visit <https://www.shakeout.org/>.

### *Tempe CERT Strategic Plan*

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Tempe Fire Medical Rescue Personnel/Professional Development section oversees the Tempe CERT program. Tempe CERT has partnered with the Scottsdale to enhance CERT training opportunities.

Also Tempe CERT has a developed Strategic Plan, recognized CERT mapping (mapping members to cross streets and the closest fire stations), established a Hold Harmless document with the Legal Department, including a Memorandum of Understanding with the Amateur Radio Repeater Trustee for the West 6<sup>th</sup> Street Repeater.

The program reinforces basic CERT training with bi-monthly meetings. Presentations from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Spotters, Salt River Project (SRP), Arizona Public Service (APS), Southwest Gas, Pet Rescue and First Aid, State of Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs, Care 7, Team Rubicon, Red Cross, Guardian Tactical Concepts, and Tempe Police Active Shooter, as well as Bites and Stings specific to Arizona continue to be part of the monthly meetings and trainings.



## Local

### 2018 National Preparedness Month

- **North Gila County CERT (NGCC)**

NGCC has been busy and productive during National Preparedness Month. Contacts were made throughout the month to distribute the materials "Preparing Makes Sense, Get Ready Now, Preparing your Pets for Emergencies Makes Sense, and the Emergency Supply List." Some of the groups contacted the faith-based community, Payson Library, Central Arizona Board of Realtors, Central Arizona Humane Society, Big Lots, Pet Club, barber shops, Emergency Communications Broadband Consortium, Court Appointed Special Advocates and Tractor Supply to promote preparedness.

During the National Preparedness Action Day, NGCC personnel participated in the 8th annual Fire on the Rim Bike Race event providing staff for aid stations, radio communications and overall support as part of multi-agency coordination involvement. Gila County Emergency Services provided the BOBCAT (communication vehicle) for the radio communications. Also, NGCC personnel provided service to the 7th annual Christopher Creek Festival which provides support for the Christopher Kohl's Fire Department.

- **La Paz County**

La Paz County Emergency Management / Citizens Corps Council supported NPM by setting up a booth/tables providing free information on how to be better prepared for emergencies. APS planned to have information available and the Red Cross was present to help with questions and to encourage families to be ready to face natural or manmade disasters. Locations included Walmart, Parker Senior Center, Bouse Public Library, Centennial Public Library and Ehrenberg Fire Department.



### Arizona Disaster Healthcare Volunteers

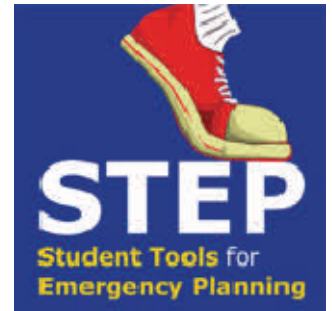
The Arizona Emergency System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (AZ-ESAR-VHP) is part of a national program that pre-registers and verifies the qualifications of health professionals who are ready and willing to respond to disasters. Register on-line today!

## State/National

### Emergency Planning Curriculum for Elementary Schools

Teach emergency preparedness in your grade school with Student Tools for Emergency Planning (STEP).

STEP provides a ready-to-teach classroom-based course for fourth- and fifth-graders. The students will study disasters. They will learn how to build a supply kit and how to create a family emergency communication plan.



STEP materials include:

- STEP Overview
- Instructor Guide
- Student Activity Book
- Disaster Dodgers Video Series

You can order the STEP materials for free. Visit [Ready.gov/YouthPreparedness](http://Ready.gov/YouthPreparedness) to learn more.

### Arizona State Citizen Corps Council Meeting

**November 15, 2018**

10:00 AM — 12:00 PM

100 N. 15th Avenue, 1st Flr. Conference Rm.  
Phoenix, AZ

- Annual In-person Meeting /Conference Call Access Not Available

### Volunteer for the Radiological Emergency Assistance Team

The Bureau of Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Radiological Emergency Preparedness, is in need of volunteers to participate in training for an off-site response to an emergency at the Palo Verde Generating Station (PVGS). Training includes a three-day initial course, scheduled for October 22 –24, 2018, plus five to six trainings/drills/exercises each year with all team members expected to participate.

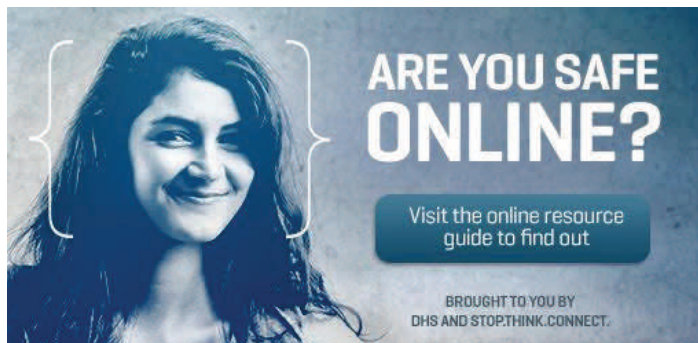
Individuals wishing to volunteer contact:

- [Toby.morales@azdhs.gov](mailto:Toby.morales@azdhs.gov) 602-768-3734
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REAT Field Monitoring will entail taking radiation readings, tracking the "airborne radioactive plume", drawing air samples and collecting necessary environmental samples, e.g., milk, vegetation, soil and water. Personnel attending this training should be physically capable of lifting equipment and carrying supplies. Respiratory protective devices and/or anti-contamination clothing may be used during response operations. Volunteers must not have a history of heart or respiratory problems.

## National Cyber Security Awareness

Cybersecurity is our shared responsibility and we all must work together to improve our Nation's Cybersecurity. Cyber criminals do not discriminate; they target vulnerable computer systems regardless of whether they are part of a large corporation, a small business, or belong to a home user.



### General Education Resources

- Learn how to avoid scams, protect your identity, and secure your computer with tips from the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC) OnGuard Online and visit their Protect Kids Online webpage.
- Get videos, presentations, and other educational resources for educators and parents to discuss cybersecurity with kids and teens from NetSmartz, a program of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).
- Find tips and resources on how to become a good digital parent from the Family Online Safety Institute.
- Start an internet safety dialogue with ebooks, events, articles, and more from ConnectSafely, iKeepSafe, and Savvy Cyber Kids.
- Protect yourself and your family from online fraud with tips from Fraud.org, a project of the National Consumers League.



Basic CERT Training manuals are available from the FEMA Distribution Center.

To place an order, email [fema-publications-warehouse@fema.gov](mailto:fema-publications-warehouse@fema.gov) or call 800-480-2520.

### Important Dates to Remember

- **October** – National Cyber Security Awareness Month
- **October** – National Fire Prevention Month
- **October 3 at 2:18 p.m. ET** - FEMA's Nationwide EAS and WEA Test
- **October 4 at 3 p.m. ET** – Twitter chat on Keeping Devices, Accounts, and Information Safe Online. Use #ChatSTC to join!
- **October 18 at 10:18 a.m.** – Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill — <https://www.shakeout.org/>



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**ARIZONA STATE CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL**

**Council Mission Statement**

Promote emergency preparedness for all Arizonans through education, training, and volunteer service. The Council works with state and local Citizen Corps programs to cross collaborate, increase public awareness, bridge partnerships, and strengthen community resilience to better prepare for, respond to, and recover from threats of terrorism, crime, public health emergencies, and disasters of all kinds.

**Council Vision**

Strengthening community disaster preparedness, response and resiliency of Arizonans through dedicated volunteers and active Citizen Corps programs.

**Council Goals**

- ◆ Serve as a State voice for the network of Citizen Corps Programs and local councils through enhanced communication and outreach
- ◆ Promote Citizen Corps Program participation and volunteer activities which strengthen community preparedness, response, and resiliency
- ◆ Strengthen our internal capacity to support the growth and sustainability of local Citizen Corps councils and programs through collaboration with local, state, federal, and tribal agencies

# Announcements



- The FEMA Citizen Corps website was recently updated. You can now register new Citizen Corps Councils and CERT programs or update information on previously registered councils/ programs. Visit <https://community.fema.gov/Register>.



Date	Event	Location	Contact
October 2-4, 2018	Basic CERT Training	Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community	Cliff Puckett 480-248-5462 pr cliff.puckett@srpmic-nsn.gov
November 5-7, 2018	Basic CERT Training	Phoenix CERT Sky Harbor Airport	<a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0445adab2aa5f58-phoenix">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0445adab2aa5f58-phoenix</a>
November 9-11, 2018	Basic CERT Training	Phoenix CERT 150 S. 12th St. Phoenix	<a href="http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0445adab2aa5f58-phoenix">http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0445adab2aa5f58-phoenix</a>
November 13-15, 2018	CERT Train-the-Trainer	Papago Park Military Reservation Joint Information Center (JIC) Classroom 2, Phoenix	Register at <a href="http://www.erma.az.gov">www.erma.az.gov</a> <b>Mandatory Prerequisites</b>