



Portland Region Citizen Corps presents:

The 2014 Regional Citizen Corps Training Expo

When **March 28 and 29**

Where **Portland Fire & Rescue Training Center
4800 NE 122nd in Portland → [MAP](#)**

What **A series of advanced training classes for
Citizen Corps volunteers.**

**Knots, shelter operations, moulage,
leadership, and more.**

**Read on for a full class schedule and registration
information**

Class Schedule: Friday, March 28

Advanced Knots

Time: 0900 - 1700

Location: Main Classroom

Instructor: Lt. Shon Christensen, PF&R

In this very hands-on course, Shon Christensen will demonstrate the knots most practical for CERT and NET duties. Part of the course will be in the classroom, and trainees will also use the drill grounds to learn about low-angle and hauling systems. This course is repeated on March 29.

[Register](#)

Radiation Response

Time: 0830 - 1230

Location: Portable Classroom

Instructor: Sudhir Oberoi, OHSU

In the event of a major radiological incident, local radiation response resources would be quickly overwhelmed. This popular course covers radiological threats and what volunteers can do to promote radiation safety and preparedness.

[Register](#)

Skywarn/Weather Spotter

Time: 1400 - 1600

Location: Portable Classroom

Instructor: National Weather Service Portland

This brief but very helpful and interesting course trains on how to observe weather patterns, determine rainfall, or how severe a storm is.

[Register](#)

Community Sheltering

Time: 0900 - 1300

Location: TAC

Instructor: Willie Bence, American Red Cross

The Community Sheltering course was developed in a joint effort by the American Red Cross and FEMA as a field guide for members of the community who plan to work or operate in a shelter during a disaster. The class outlines sheltering best practices and gives participants insight into the necessary roles and responsibilities when operating a shelter. Participants will receive a copy of the Sheltering Field Guide for future reference.

[Register](#)

Leadership

Time: 1400 - 1800

Location: TAC

Instructor: Alice Lasher-Busch, Multnomah County

This course is intended for NET and CERT team leaders. Alice will discuss relevant points of leadership, how to run your team, and how to have them ready to respond.

[Register](#)

Personal Protection

Time: 0900 - 1200

Location: Blue Shed

Instructor: Chris Leblanc, Ecole de Budo Raji

The path of practical awareness and vigilance is important in not only disaster situations, but in most aspects of life. Chris Leblanc will instruct volunteers on remaining vigilant and keeping themselves safe. This course is repeated on March 29.

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Class Schedule: Saturday, March 29

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Engaging People with Disabilities During Disasters

Time: 1200 - 1600

Location: Portable Classroom

Instructor: Justin Ross, OHSU

Justin will discuss considerations on how to engage people with disabilities and access and functional needs during disasters. Discussion on what kinds of disabilities exist in our communities, and the best practices for working with those populations.

[Register](#)

Point of Dispensing (POD) Training

Time: 0900 - 1100

Location: TAC

Instructor: Lianne Martinez, Clark County

A pandemic, such as H1N1, is one of the most likely emergency scenarios we face in the Pacific Northwest. Volunteers will be badly needed to staff PODs in order to distribute medications to the general public. This course covers how to set up and operate a POD efficiently and effectively.

[Register](#)

Presenting Preparedness

Time: 1300 - 1630

Location: TAC

Instructor: Levi Johnson, American Red Cross

One of the most effective ways CERTs and NETs can leverage their awareness of disaster preparedness is to prepare their communities. This course, which is now part of basic NET curriculum, gives participants the tools they need in order to present emergency preparedness concepts to their neighbors.

[Register](#)

Moulage

Time: 0900 - 1400

Location: Blue Shed

Instructor: Alice Lasher-Busch, Multnomah County

Moulage is the craft of applying disaster scenario makeup: fake burns, fractures, and wounds. This course will train participants as moulage artists and cover the concepts and materials needed to become moulage volunteers.

[Register](#)

Personal Protection

Time: 1500 - 1800

Location: Blue Shed

Instructor: Chris Leblanc, Ecole de Budo Raji

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Citizen Corps Expo FAQs

How much does it cost to register for a class?

The classes are free! We are funding this Expo through a grant provided by FEMA.

How do I register?

On the class descriptions on the previous pages, find the link in underlined blue type that says "[Register](#)". Click on that to go to the Eventbrite registration page. Register individually for EACH class you want to take. You *must* sign up for classes you want...drop ins are not permitted.

Can I register for more than one class?

We encourage it. However, please do not register for two classes that take place at the same time because you want to reserve a seat in both and decide later. This is very inconsiderate to other trainees and you will be excluded from the roster for *both* classes permanently.

What should I do/expect on the day of training?

Go to the check-in desk indicated on the map before going to the class. At the desk, show your NET/CERT ID badge, or your drivers' license if you do not have a NET/CERT badge. You will be issued a bracelet for your class(es).

If you do not have a bracelet when you get to class, the instructor will send you to the check-in desk even if you are late. So please come early.

How should I dress?

Casual. But if you are in a class taking place on the drill grounds or in the blue shed, you should be prepared for outdoor weather.

As a CERT/NET volunteer, which classes are best for me to take?

All of 'em. Short of that, consider that the most likely events you'll be deployed for are a pandemic event or inclement weather events. Therefore, PBEM recommends to NETs that they try to take the sheltering course and/or the POD training. All the rest is gravy, relatively speaking.

The class I want is "sold out". What do I do?

Be sure to put yourself on the waitlist. It is likely that we can open up more seats for these courses and registrants on the waitlist will receive the first invite.

Many of these classes will also be repeated at some other time, so don't fret too much if you don't get everything you want.

Can I bring someone with me, even if they are not part of Citizen Corps?

Probably. First, they must register themselves (in other words, two people cannot attend on a single ticket). Citizen Corps volunteers are prioritized for classes. Which means that if the class fills up with non-volunteers and we have Citizen Corps volunteers on the waitlist, non-members will be bumped from the class. Those registrants bumped from a class will be informed by email on March 27.

Is lunch included?

No, you should plan to bring your own or to forage out along the gutbusting fast food joints out on 122nd. Out of consideration of other trainees, please do not eat lunch during class. You can bring light snacks and/or *covered* drinks.

Also, please tidy up after yourself when class is over.

Classroom Schedule

Portland Fire & Rescue Training Center

4800 NE 122nd Avenue

	Friday, March 28											Saturday, March 29										
	8	9	10	11	NOON	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	NOON	1	2	3	4	5		
Main Classroom	Advanced Knots (Cohort 1)											Advanced Knots (Cohort 2)										
Portable Classroom	Radiation Response					NWS Skywarn						Disaster Response/Persons w Disabilities										
TAC	Community Sheltering					Leadership					POD Training			Presenting Preparedness								
Drill Grounds	Advanced Knots (Cohort 1)											Advanced Knots (Cohort 2)										
Blue Shed	Personal Protection											Moulage							Personal Protection			
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