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## CERT volunteers recognized by City of Victorville

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Pictured are the first volunteers to complete community emergency response team training offered by the City of Victorville. These volunteers received 20 hours of instruction in basic disaster preparedness, light search and rescue, medical operations and fire suppression.

**VICTORVILLE, Calif.** – Earlier this month, the City of Victorville recognized its first group of volunteers to complete the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training.

The 20-hour class, approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and taught by **San Bernardino County Fire**, helps volunteers attain the skills necessary to protect themselves as well as their families and neighbors in the event of an emergency. Topics covered in the class include basic disaster preparedness, light search and rescue, medical operations and fire suppression.

“The City of Victorville’s CERT volunteers are true leaders,” said City of Victorville Emergency Management Coordinator, Dana Wellborn. “We appreciate their hard work and commitment to preparedness for our community.”

“When disaster strikes, being prepared to do the greatest good for the greatest number of people is critical,” said Michael A. Ramirez, San Bernardino County Fire, OES.

Victorville’s first class of volunteer community emergency responders include Anastasia Escareno, Cheryl Shelby, Teresa Ellis, Monica Ellis, Janeth Ewoldt, Jewelysa Rios, Tricia Roth, Sara Cox, Allison Taylor, Lathresia Ballou, Don Ewoldt and Margarita Duran.

<https://www.vvng.com/cert-volunteers-recognized-city-victorville/>

## **San Bernardino airport emergency drill to draw 300 participants**

**Gail Wesson, The Press-Enterprise**

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An emergency training exercise designed to test airport and community emergency responders in the event of an airport incident will draw about 300 participants to San Bernardino International Airport beginning at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28, according to an airport news release.

The exercise includes a simulated emergency aircraft incident, training required by the Federal Aviation Administration every three years.

The airport is in the 1600 block of East Third Street, east of Del Rosa Drive.

The exercise will last a few hours but have no effect on airport operations. Sirens may be heard and emergency vehicles seen providing a mutual aid response.

More than 20 emergency agencies besides the airport staff will participate including the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department, the Cal Fire San Bernardino Unit and the San Manuel Fire Department, law enforcement, hospitals and emergency managers. The exercise will double as the annual training for East Valley agencies.

EMT and paramedic students from Crafton Hills and Victor Valley colleges will serve as simulated injured victims.

<https://www.sbsun.com/2018/02/27/san-bernardino-airport-emergency-drill-to-draw-300-participants/>