



**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**  
**MEETING DATE:** 11/5/2019  
**DEPARTMENT:** Management Services

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**SUBJECT:**

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM PROGRAM

**RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):**

Approve and present Certificates of Completion to the graduates of the Community Emergency Response Team Program.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

On October 26, 2019, twenty (20) Lake Forest residents completed the City's third Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Basic Training program. The CERT program is about readiness, people helping people, rescuer safety, and doing the greatest good for the greatest number. CERT is a community based volunteer effort and is a component of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Citizen Corps programs.

The CERT Basic Training program includes eight courses and a final exercise encompassing all skills learned from each course:

- Disaster Preparedness
- Fire Safety and Utility Controls
- Medical Operations Part I and Part II
- Light Search and Rescue Operations
- CERT Organization
- Disaster Psychology
- Terrorism
- Disaster Simulation

Tonight, the City would like to recognize the graduates of its 3<sup>rd</sup> CERT Basic Training program. Please join us in thanking them for their time and dedication to the community.

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is minimal fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

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**ATTACHMENT:**

Sample of Certificate of Completion

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