



## GRANITE FALLS FIRE DISTRICT #17

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## COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

### CLASS INTEREST SHEET

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) concept was developed and implemented by the City of Los Angeles Fire Department in 1985. They recognized that people will likely be on their own during the early stages of a catastrophic disaster. Accordingly, the fire department decided that some basic training in disaster survival and rescue skills would improve the ability of people to survive until responders or other assistance could arrive. The training program proved so successful in Los Angeles, that the Federal Emergency Management Agency felt the concept should be made available to communities nationwide. The CERT materials were expanded to make them applicable to all types of disasters and provided to local agencies. Recognizing the value of this program the Granite Falls Fire District #17 and the Pilchuck Foundation is offering CERT classes to our community.

The CERT training course is conducted one evening a week for eight weeks and covers a variety of planning, prevention, and manipulative skills aimed at surviving a disaster. Participants will be expected to attend all 8 sessions, establish a three (3) day home survival kit, obtain personal safety equipment, and be a willing team participant. CERT is about people helping people. There is no charge for CERT course, and participants will receive basic personal safety equipment used in the class.

If you are interested in participating in an upcoming CERT course, please fill out the information requested below and we will contact you. **Please print.**

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| <b>YOUR NAME</b>        |  |
| <b>ADDRESS</b>          |  |
| <b>CITY, STATE, ZIP</b> |  |
| <b>TELEPHONE</b>        |  |
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