

DISASTER COURSES

July – December 2010

BASIC DISASTER COURSES

Fulfilling Our Mission: *Translating Your Compassion into Community Action*

This entry level course introduces potential disaster volunteers and members of other local agencies to the role of the Red Cross in the community's actions in preparing for, responding to and recovering from emergencies and disasters.

July 17	Sat.	8:30am – Noon
Aug. 4	Wed.	6:00pm – 9:30pm
Aug. 28	Sat.	8:30am – Noon
*Sept. 16	Thurs.	6:00pm – 9:30pm
*Oct. 2	Sat.	8:30am – Noon
*Oct. 19	Tues.	6:00pm – 9:30pm
*Nov. 13	Sat.	8:30am – Noon

Mass Care Overview

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*

The purpose of this basic level Disaster Services Course is to provide an overview of the activities performed by the Mass Care group in support of a disaster relief operation.

Aug. 7	Sat.	9:00am – Noon
*Sept. 22	Wed.	6:00pm – 9:00pm
*Oct. 23	Sat.	9:00am – Noon
*Nov. 13	Sat.	1:00pm – 4:00pm

***Note:** These classes are not available for enrollment at this time. Enrollment may be opened up in the future depending on the release of a new replacement course.

Shelter Operations

Prerequisite: *Mass Care Overview*

This instructor-led course is designed for the students to acquire knowledge of Red Cross policies and procedures for setting up, running and closing a shelter during a disaster.

Aug. 24	Tues.	6:00pm – 9:00pm
Oct. 30	Sat.	9:00am – Noon
Dec. 4	Sat.	9:00am – Noon

Shelter Simulation

Prerequisite: *Shelter Operations*

This instructor-led simulation is designed for students to acquire knowledge of Red Cross policies and procedures for setting up, running and closing a shelter during a disaster.

Aug. 25	Wed.	6:00pm – 9:00pm
Oct. 30	Sat.	1:00pm – 4:00pm
Dec. 4	Sat.	1:00pm – 4:00pm

Mass Casualty Disasters

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*

This course is an instructor-led and video-supported course designed to prepare employees and volunteers to plan for and respond to mass casualty disasters

Nov. 13	Sat.	9:00am - 5:00pm
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Note: *Classes are subject to cancellation if the minimum number of participants is not met.*

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Logistics: An Overview

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*

This course provides basic information about the processes of Material Support Services activities in support of a Red Cross disaster relief operation. Participants will learn about the skills, abilities and knowledge needed by Material Support Services workers and how they can become involved in their local chapter.

Oct. 16 Sat. 9:00am – Noon

Logistics Simulation

Prerequisite: *Logistics: An Overview*

The purpose of this training is to provide participants an opportunity to practice the knowledge and skills needed to run a successful logistical operation in their local chapter.

Oct. 16 Sat. 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Disaster Assessment Basics

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*

Disaster Assessment Basics is an instructor-led, basic level course. The course encompasses the tasks and responsibilities of the Disaster Assessment activity on a disaster relief operation.

Oct. 5 Tues.. 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Fundamentals of Disaster Public Affairs: The Local Response

Prerequisites: *Fulfilling Our Mission, Disaster Public Affairs Overview (online course)*. Call 714-481-5331 for information about accessing the on-line segment.

This is a course that introduces Red Cross communicators to the critical tasks necessary to initiate a chapter disaster public affairs response. Participants will have the opportunity to engage in case-based scenarios, group exercises, practice activities and open discussions. These participatory activities reinforce important concepts and meet segment objectives.

Oct. 23 Sat. 9:00am – 5:00pm

ERVs: Ready, Set, Roll

Prerequisites: Valid driver's license
Mass Care: Overview
Fulfilling Our Mission
Basic Food Safety

Recommended: Logistics: Overview
Disaster Assessment

Prior to ERV assignment:
Defensive Driving course
First Aid & CPR
Certification

Note: Enrollees must also complete the video self-study portion of the course in advance

This course is designed to provide students with the opportunity to learn about and use an Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) and all related equipment.

July 31 Sat. 9:00am – Noon

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Disaster Frontline Supervisor

Prerequisite: Applicants should have the training and experience equivalent to a Service Associate in an activity in which she or he expects to become a supervisor.

To meet the training requirements for a supervisor position in the Disaster Services Human Resources System completion of both this course and simulation is required.

The purpose of this course is to prepare supervisors to lead a team of disaster workers to deliver high quality client service and to create a climate that promotes worker satisfaction.

Oct. 6 Wed. 6:00pm – 9:30pm

Serving People with Disabilities Following a Disaster (DSPSS200B)

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*, Individuals will be scheduled for this course after they have completed the on-line segment. Email Ray Greenwood (rgreenwood@oc-redcross.org) for information about accessing the on-line segment.

This blended learning course consisting of two components, online and instructor-led, which outlines American Red Cross policies and practices as they pertain to providing services to people with disabilities following a disaster.

Nov. 3 & 4 Wed. & Thurs.
6:00pm – 10:00pm

Disaster Frontline Supervisor Simulation

Prerequisite: Disaster Frontline Supervisor. **Prerequisite:** Applicants should have the training and experience equivalent to a Service Associate in an activity in which she or he expects to become a supervisor.

The simulation builds on the information presented in the Disaster Frontline Supervisor (DFS) course. The simulation provides participants an opportunity to practice key supervisory skills and use the Disaster Frontline Supervisor Handbook as a resource.

Oct. 7 Thurs. 6:30pm – 9:30pm

Note: Classes are subject to cancellation if the minimum number of participants is not met.

ONLINE DISASTER COURSES

- *Logistics During a WMD/T Incident*
- *Logistics During a WMD/T Incident Refresher*
- *Deployment Orientation*
- *Client Assistance Cards Caseworkers*
- *Introduction to Disaster Services*
- *Fundamentals of Disaster Assessment (online segment)*
- *Client Assistance Cards Financial and Statistical Information Management Workers*
- *Introduction to Disaster Services (Spanish)*
- *Serving People with Disabilities Following a Disaster (online segment)*
- *Staff Health: An Overview*
- *Staff Health: Working on Disaster Relief Operations*
- *Disaster Public Affairs Overview*
- *Preparing for and Managing a Spontaneous Volunteer Workforce*
- *Fundamentals of Staff Services*
- *Workforce Planning and Acquisition*
- *CAS 3.2 Basics (Self-Study)*
- *CAS 3.2 Create a Client Case (Self-Study)*
- *CAS Needs and Assistance 2.1.8 (Self-Study)*
- *CAS Reports 2.1.8 (Self-Study)*
- *CAS 3.2 Supervisor Functions (Self-Study)*
- *CAS 3.2 Chapter Disaster Operations (Self-Study)*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 1: Essentials of Disaster Planning*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 2: Leadership and Coordination in Disaster Health Care System*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 3: Understanding the Psychosocial Impact of Disasters*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 4: Legal and Ethical Issues in Disaster Response*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 5: Communication: The Role of the Media*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 6: Natural Disasters*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 7: Environmental Disasters and Emergencies*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 8: Overview of Disaster Management*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 9: Disaster Triage and Chemical Decontamination*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 10: Restoring Public Health Under Disaster Conditions*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 11: Managing Emergencies Outside the Hospital*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 12: Management of Psychosocial Effects*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 13: Unique Needs of Children During Disasters and Other Public Health Emrg*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 14: Shelter Nursing*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 15: Biological and Chemical Terrorism: A Unique Threat*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 16: Surveillance Systems for Bioterrorism*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 17: Biological Agents of Concern*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 18: Early Recognition and Detection of Biological Events*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 19: Chemical Agents of Concern*
- *Red Cross ReadyRN Module 20: Radiological Incidents and Emergencies*
- *CBRNE - Ready, Respond*

Email Ray Greenwood (rgreenwood@oc-redcross.org) for information about accessing the on-line courses.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

Humanity in the Midst of War

The purpose of this class is to inform the community about International Humanitarian Law (the Geneva Conventions) and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and to promote public awareness and support for International Humanitarian Law and, specifically, respect for life and human dignity.

Oct. 20 Wed. 6:00pm – 10:00pm

CHAPTER WORKSHOPS

Communications Workshop for Amateur Radio Operators

Prerequisite: Must be licensed by the Federal Communications Commission as an Amateur Radio Operator.

This workshop trains licensed amateur radio operators the ins and outs of radio communications on a Red Cross disaster relief operation.

Nov. 20 Sat. 1:00pm – 4:00pm

General Communications Workshop

This workshop teaches volunteers, in functions other than Communications, the basics of radio communication on a Red Cross disaster relief operation.

Nov. 20 Sat. 9:00am - Noon

Aviation Disaster Workshop

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*

The Aviation Disaster Workshop describes the roles and responsibilities of the American Red Cross under the Aviation Disaster Family Assistance Act. Working with the NTSB, the ARC has 5 specific family support roles.

Aug. 12 Thurs. 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Note: *Classes are subject to cancellation if the minimum number of participants is not met.*

Chapter Driving & Canteen Workshop

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*. Must be able to present a valid Driver's License at the time of the class and have an unencumbered driving record. Open only to Orange County Chapter volunteers

The driving workshop orients and trains disaster volunteers in the safe use of Chapter vehicles: Disaster Response Vehicles (DRV's), canteens and shelter trailers. Participants will also learn how to operate the various systems on the canteens including the electrical, lighting and air conditioning systems.

Nov. 6 Sat 9:00am – 2:00pm

Note: *Classes are subject to cancellation if the minimum number of participants is not met.*

CHAPTER WORKSHOPS

Community Disaster Education Workshop

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*

This Chapter workshop prepares participants to deliver quality Community Disaster Education presentations. It focuses on how to choose appropriate messages for target audiences and select materials that convey those messages. It provides background, local hazard information, and ways to overcome disaster denial issues and to motivate audience preparedness actions.

Aug. 28	Sat.	8:30am – 5:00pm
Oct. 9	Sat.	8:30am – 5:00pm

Note: Classes are subject to cancellation if the minimum number of participants is not met.

Disaster Action Team Workshop

Prerequisites: *Fulfilling Our Mission, Mass Care Overview, and Client Casework.* Only open to Orange County Chapter volunteers.

This workshop teaches the basic responsibilities of a Disaster Action Team member and prepares volunteers to become a member of the Red Cross initial response structure and to provide immediate care to victims of disaster.

Sept. 16	Thurs.	6:00pm – 10:00pm
Nov. 17	Wed.	6:00pm – 10:00pm

Media Relations for Disaster Services Volunteers

Prerequisite: *Fulfilling Our Mission*

This course teaches disaster volunteers how to handle media inquiries until the Public Information Officer (PIO) arrives on the disaster scene. This workshop is suggested for all disaster workers.

Sept. 23	Thurs.	6:00pm – 9:00pm
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Registering for classes at the Orange County Chapter:

You may register one of three ways:

- On-line at the chapter's website www.oc-redcross.org
- By phone 714-481-5331
- By e-mail to destrg@oc-redcross.org. Be sure to include your name, daytime phone number and the name and date of the class you are registering for.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) independent study courses

FEMA offers a wide array of free courses. They may be found at FEMA's web site:

<http://www.training.fema.gov/IS/>

- Please provide Madelyn Spiegelberg (m Spiegelberg@oc-redcross.org) with a copy of your completion certificate from any course you complete.