



Template for Sponsor Agency's Letter of Support for the CERT Program *(for starting CERT program in their community)*

Use Agency's Letterhead and logo.

Sponsor Agency Name
Name of Director/Chief *(Authorized Authority)*
Address
Phone
Email

Date

Volunteer West Virginia,

The _____ *(Name of Sponsor Agency)* are excited to announce our endorsement for the implementation of a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program that will serve in _____ *(town, city, or county the CERT program will be serving)*. The CERT Program concept helps meet our agency's goals of promoting a culture of preparedness and creating a more resilient community during times of disaster. CERT volunteers will be trained utilizing the FEMA standardized curriculum delivered by a certified CERT instructor.

Our trained CERT volunteers will help to enhance local disaster response and recovery, as well as support our community during non-emergency public events. Blue sky activities could include traffic control, manning first aid tents, emergency preparedness educational outreach and participating in other appropriate community service. CERT Volunteers will help to increase efforts to educate citizens about how to be better prepared for disasters.

Signature & Title of Authorized Authority