

Statewide Citizen Corps Advisory Council Meeting

9/21/2017

Meeting Minutes

DESPP Headquarters, Room 349

1111 Country Club Road

Middletown, CT 06457

**Voting Members In Attendance:**

**In Person:**

Don Davis (Region 3 REPT)  
Don Janelle (CEMA)  
Eric Scoville (Planner)  
Harley Graime (Region 3 REPT)  
Joel Severance (Region 2 REPT)  
Mark Amatrudo (Co-Chair)  
William Turley (Region 3 Coordinator)

**Via Phone:**

Joanna Rogalski (Region 5 REPT)  
Paul Gibb (Region 5 REPT)  
Jim Larkin (Region 4 REPT)  
Joe Sastre (Region 4 REPT)

**Voting Members Absent:**

Michelle Deluca (Region 1 REPT), Norma Peterson (Region 1 REPT), Jean Davies (Region 2 REPT), Harley Graime (Region 3 REPT), Katherine McCormack (MRC), Robert Kenny (DEMHS Region 1), John Field (DEMHS Region 2), Michael Caplet (DEMHS Region 4), Thomas Vannini (DEMHS Region 5), Thomas Romano (Trainer)

**Quorum Present:** Yes

**Others In Attendance (Person/Phone):** Rita Stewart (Strategic Planning and Community Preparedness), Steve Pintarich (CERT Southington).

**I. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance (1:30)**

**II. Opening & Public Comments:**

A motion made to approve 7/20/2017 Meeting Minutes. Motion made by Don Davis, seconded by Joel Severance, Motion Carried.

**III. DESPP/DEMHS Grants Report:**

**Financial Report** See attached financial report compiled by Rita Stewart. The current remaining balance is **\$33,652.58** of that amount **\$30,200.00** has been obligated to pre-approved projects. Thus the remaining balance (if all approved applications are submitted for) is **\$3,452.58**.

A motion to accept the report made by Don Janelle, Seconded by Joel Severance, Motion carries.

**IV. Regional Council Updates/Reports:**

Reports provided to the Council at the bi-monthly meeting are now attached to the meeting minutes, a summary of reports received is below. Funding may be tied to the delivery of this report, please be sure to deliver this report.

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| Report                |  | Report Received/Attached to Mins.       |  |
|-----------------------|--|---|--|
| <b>DEMHS Region 1</b> | Robert Kenny- DEMHS Region 4 Coordinator   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
|                       | Michelle Deluca- Region 1 REPT             | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
|                       | Norma Peterson- Region 1 REPT              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
| <b>DEMHS Region 2</b> | John Field- DEMHS Region 2 Coordinator     | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
|                       | Joel Severance- Region 2 REPT (RiverCOG)   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
|                       | Jeanne Davies-Region 2 REPT                | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>DEMHS Region 3</b> | William Turley- DEMHS Region 3 Coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
|                       | Harley Graime- Region 3 REPT (CRCOG)       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
|                       | Don Davis- Region 3 REPT (CRCOG)           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
| <b>DEMHS Region 4</b> | Mike Caplet, DEMHS Region 4 Coordinator    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
|                       | Joe Sastre- Region 4 REPT (SECOG)          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
|                       | Jim Larkin- Region 4 REPT (NECOG)          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
| <b>DEMHS Region 5</b> | Tom Vannini- Region 5 Coordinator          | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
|                       | Joanna Rogalski- Region 5 REPT (NVCOG)     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
|                       | Paul Gibb- Region 5 REPT (NHCOG)           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |
| <b>CEMA</b>           | Don Janelle                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| <b>MRC</b>            | Katherine McCormack                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |

## V. Old Business:

### CERT Training Day

- 120 have registered for the event thus far
- Afternoon fire extinguisher class has been cancelled
- Box lunch will be provided
- Participants will be notified of what to do if there is an activation
- Evaluations will be done for each of the classes and shared with the group
- Would like to add ICS information/presentation to the CCP website

## VI. New Business:

### Volgistics

- This is a new commercial application for tracking activations and the team members who activate.
- Fee for service: \$ 50 dollars per month
- Don Janelle inquired if grant funds can be used for the purchase of such software
- Need to be careful about supplanting if the town has already funded these programs previously.

### CERT Activation Form

- Activation Forms will require update in the future, towns find them to be confusing. Would require updating the manual.

## VII. Adjournment- (3:30 PM) Motion made by Joel Severance, Seconded by Don Davis. Motion Carried unanimously.

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## Application Approvals by DEMHS

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|  |                     |                             |                          |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| FFY 2015 Allocation  | 9/01/2015-8/31/2018 | \$75,000.00                 |                          |
| Current balance on FFY 2015 (less pending under review)**              |                     |                             | \$33,652.58              |
| Pending submission of completion report                                |                     | (for approved applications) |                          |
| <u>category</u>  | <u>amount</u>       | <u>applicant</u>            | <u>description</u>       |
| Planning   |                     |                             | <u>total by category</u> |
|  |                     |                             | \$12,000.00              |
|  | \$2,000             | CRCOG                       | 1/01/2017-6/30/2017      |
|  | \$2,000             | NECCOG                      | 1/01/2017-6/30/2017      |
|  | \$2,000             | RIVERCOG                    | 7/01/2017-12/31/2017     |
|  | \$2,000             | NW Hill Cog                 | 7/01/2017-12/31/2017     |
|  | \$2,000             | NVCOG                       | 7/01/2017-12/31/2017     |
|  | \$2,000             | CRCOG                       | 7/01/2017-12/31/2017     |
| Training   |                     |                             | \$10,200.00              |
|  | \$1,200             | Bridgeport                  | approved 12/15/2016      |
|  | \$1,200             | Windham                     | approved 2/01/2017       |
|  | \$1,200             | Ridgefield                  | approved 4/3/2017        |
|  | \$1,200             | Bridgeport                  | approved 4/07/2017       |
|  | \$1,200             | CRCOG/Southington           | approved 5/09/2017       |
|  | \$1,200             | CRCOG/Middletown            | approved 5/12/2017       |
|  | \$1,000             | Hamden                      | approved 6/20/2017       |
|  | \$1,200             | Wallingford                 | approved 6/20/2017       |
|  | \$800               | Bridgeport                  | approved 9/19/2017       |
| Equipment  |                     |                             | \$8,000.00               |
|  | \$1,000             | Ridgefield                  | approved 9/09/2016       |
|  | \$1,000             | CRCOG/Bristol               | approved 5/23/2017       |
|  | \$1,000             | CRCOG/Manchester            | approved 5/23/2017       |
|  | \$1,000             | CRCOG/Newington             | approved 5/23/2017       |
|  | \$1,000             | CRCOG/So.Windsor            | approved 5/23/2017       |
|  | \$1,000             | Hamden                      | approved 7/18/2017       |
|  | \$1,000             | Portland                    | approved 9/20/2017       |
|  | \$1,000             | CRCOG/Ellington             | approved 9/20/2017       |
| Total pending (if approved applications are submitted for full amount) |                     |                             | \$30,200.00              |
| Funds available  |                     |                             | \$3,452.58               |

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## Citizen Corps Program - 2017 applications and approvals

| No.   | Category | Name of Applicant | Organization Requested for | Requested  | Approved | Date of Approval | Project Activities  | other approval details | back-packs | Completion Form on File | # of students trained | Amount Processed | cancelled                | reimb. processed or no funds requested |      |                 |  |
|---|----------|-------------------|----------------------------|------------|----------|------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--|------|-----------------|--|
|   |          |                   |                            |            |          |                  |                     |                        |            |                         |                       |                  | Fiscal Ref Code (DPS 33) | Date of DPS 33                         | FFY  | Notes           |  |
| approved by DEMHS prior to January 2017 meeting |          |                   |                            |            |          |                  |                     |                        |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 16-45   | A        | CRCOG             | Tolland                    | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 11/18/2016       | basic training      | 11/21/2016             | Y          | Yes                     |                       | \$1,000.00       |                          | 8/7/2017                               | 2015 |                 |  |
| 16-46   | A        | CRCOG             | Manchester                 | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 11/18/2016       | basic training      | 2/1/2017               | Y          | Yes                     |                       | \$1,000.00       |                          | 8/7/2017                               | 2015 |                 |  |
| 16-47   | A        | Bridgeport        |                            | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 12/15/2016       | basic training      | 12/15/2016             | Y          | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 16-48   | C        | Northwest Hills   |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 1/3/2017         | planning            | 1/01/2017-6/30/2017    |            | yes                     |                       | \$1,750.00       |                          | 8/8/2017                               | 2015 |                 |  |
| 16-49   | C        | NVCOG             |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 1/17/2017        | planning            | 1/01/2017-6/30/2017    |            | yes                     |                       | \$1,750.00       |                          | 8/8/2017                               | 2015 |                 |  |
| 16-50   | C        | RiverCOG          |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 1/17/2017        | planning            | 1/01/2017-6/30/2017    |            | yes                     | n/a                   | \$1,000.00       | 442622                   | 5/10/2017                              | 2015 | 2nd payment     |  |
| 16-51   | A        | Fairfield         |                            | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 1/17/2017        | training            | 3/04/2017 start        | Y          | yes                     | 21                    | \$1,015.41       | 442521                   | 5/10/2017                              | 2015 |                 |  |
| 16-52   | A        | Hamden            |                            | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 1/17/2017        | training            | 4/6/2017               | Y          | yes                     | 11                    | \$1,000.00       | 442669                   | 5/26/2017                              | 2015 | DPS total 2,000 |  |
| approved by DEMHS prior to March 2017 meeting   |          |                   |                            |            |          |                  |                     |                        |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-1  | C        | CRCOG             |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 1/18/2017        | planning            | 1/1/2017-6/30/2017     |            | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-2  | C        | NECCOG            |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 1/25/2017        | planning            | 1/1/2017-6/30/2017     |            | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-3  | A        | Windham           |                            | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 2/1/2017         | basic training      | 2/2/2017 start         | Y          | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-4  | A        | CRCOG             | So. Windsor                | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 2/3/2017         | basic training      | 2/06/2017 start        | N          | yes                     |                       | \$500.00         |                          | 8/7/2017                               | 2015 |                 |  |
| 17-5  | A        | Hamden            |                            | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 2/3/2017         | Teen basic training | 3/6/2017 start         | Y          | yes                     | 9                     | \$1,000.00       | 442669                   | 5/26/2017                              | 2015 | DPS w 16-52     |  |
| 17-6  | A        | Northwest Hills   |                            | \$300.00   | yes      | 2/22/2017        | basic training      | 3/22/2017 start        | Y          | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| approved by DEMHS prior to May 2017 meeting     |          |                   |                            |            |          |                  |                     |                        |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-7  | A        | Monroe            |                            | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 3/9/2017         | basic training      | 4/21/2017              | Y          | yes                     | 9                     | \$1,198.00       |                          | 9/15/2017                              | 2015 | req             |  |
| 17-8  | D        | Litchfield        |                            | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 3/24/2017        | equipment/app       | rain gear              |            | yes                     |                       | \$1,000.00       | req                      | 8/7/2017                               | 2015 |                 |  |
| 17-9  | A        | CRCOG             | Vernon                     | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 3/28/2017        | basic training      | 4/8/2017 start         | Y          | yes                     |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-10   | D        | CRCOG             | Vernon                     | \$1,000.00 | no       |                  |                     |                        |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      | withdrawn       |  |
| 17-10   | A        | CRCOG             | Vernon                     | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 3/31/2017        | basic training-2    | 4/19/2017              | Y          | yes                     | 15                    | \$1,199.20       | req                      | 8/21/2017                              | 2015 |                 |  |
| 17-11   | A        | Ridgefield        |                            | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 4/3/2017         | basic training      | 5/12/2017              | Y          | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-12   | A        | Bridgeport        |                            | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 4/7/2017         | basic training      | 4/15/2017 start        | Y          | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-13   | A        | CRCOG             | Southington                | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 5/9/2017         | basic training      | 10-May-17              | Y          | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-14   | A        | CRCOG             | Middletown                 | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 5/12/2017        | basic training      | June, 2017 start       | Y          | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-15   | C        | RiverCOG          |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 5/15/2017        | planning            | 7/01/2017-12/31/2017   |            | no                      |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| approved by DEMHS prior to July 2017 meeting    |          |                   |                            |            |          |                  |                     |                        |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-16   | D        | CRCOG             | Bristol                    | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 5/23/2017        | equipment/app       | flashlights            |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      | last D was 2014 |  |
| 17-17   | D        | CRCOG             | Manchester                 | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 5/23/2017        | equipment/app       | flashlights            |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-18   | D        | CRCOG             | Newington                  | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 5/23/2017        | equipment/app       | flashlights            |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-19   | D        | CRCOG             | So. Windsor                | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 5/23/2017        | equipment/app       | flashlights            |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-20   | A        | Hamden            |                            | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 6/20/2017        | basic training      | 9/21/2017 start        | Y          |                         | 25                    |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-21   | A        | Wallingford       |                            | \$1,200.00 | yes      | 6/20/2017        | basic training      | 10/21/2017 start       | Y          |                         | 15                    |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-22   | C        | Northwest Hills   |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 6/29/2017        | planning            | 7/01/2017- 12/31/2017  |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-23   | C        | NVCOG             |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 6/29/2017        | planning            | 7/01/2017- 12/31/2017  |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-24   | D        | Hamden            |                            | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 7/18/2017        | equipment           | 7/31/2017              |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| approved by DEMHS prior to Sept 2017 meeting    |          |                   |                            |            |          |                  |                     |                        |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-25   | A        | Bridgeport        |                            | \$800.00   | yes      | 9/18/2017        | training            | 9/27/2017              | Y          |                         | 30                    |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-26   | D        | CRCOG             | Portland                   | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 9/21/2017        | equipment/app       |                        |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-27   | C        | CRCOG             |                            | \$2,000.00 | yes      | 9/20/2017        | planning            | 7/01/2017-12/31/2017   |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |
| 17-28   | D        | CRCOG             | Ellington                  | \$1,000.00 | yes      | 9/21/2017        | equipment           | flashlights            |            |                         |                       |                  |                          |  |      |                 |  |

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Date: September 21, 2017  
To: Eric Scoville  
From: Norma Peterson  
R1 Rep for MetroCog towns

The CERTs in Region 1 continue to meet regularly and share ideas and concerns. Discussions are continuing regarding appropriate roles for CERT members in a Family Assistance Center and future training is planned.

Listed below are some of the activities of R1 CERTs since July.

**Bridgeport:**

A Hands Only CPR Class

Self Defense Class

Donation Management Drive

Collaboration with the Salvation serving food to the homeless

Radio Training

**Fairfield:**

Hazardous Waste Management traffic assistance - August 26

United Ride Sept 11 Tribute traffic assistance - Sept 10

**Monroe:**

Traffic/crowd assistance with series of summer concerts and theatre productions

Dissemination of Emergency Preparedness information of town "National Night Out" and set up CERT canopy and inflatable light tower.

Traffic assistance for United Ride - Sept 10

**Note:** The WestCOG town CERTs - Wilton CERT, Westport CERT, New Canaan CERT and Stamford CERT - continue to be very active, although I do not have a list of activities at this time. Currently their grant applications are being processed directly through Rita Stewart.

**Scoville, Eric**

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**From:** paulgibb@optonline.net  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 21, 2017 2:46 PM  
**To:** Scoville, Eric; DEMHS-DL Citizen Corps  
**Subject:** Report on NHCCC Activities

Hi Eric -

Here is the report of the NHCOG/NHCCC for the reporting period of July 20, 2017 – September 21, 2017.

1. A number of CERT personnel participated in the August 5, 2017 Region 5 amateur radio test although there were no formal activations of CERT teams.
2. An application for funds to conduct an amateur radio class in Region 5 was approved by ESF 2 and sent to the Region 5 REPT Training Committee. CERT members will be solicited to attend this class when it is held.
3. There were no CERT training activities held in the NHCOG/NHCCC area since July 2017.
4. There were no activations of CERT teams in the NHCOG/NHCCC area during the current reporting period.

Regards,

Paul Gibb  
Chairman, NHCCC  
603-459-6801

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**Scoville, Eric**

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**From:** Joanna Rogalski <JRogalski@nvcogct.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 21, 2017 3:27 PM  
**To:** Scoville, Eric  
**Subject:** NVCOG report for SCCC mtg 9-21-17

Hello Eric

The report I gave for NVOCG at the Sept 21, 2017 meeting of SCCC was as follows:

1. NVCOG Emergency Planning Committee met last Thursday, September 14, 2017. At that meeting Tom Vannini discussed that he is reviewing training simulation software for the NVCOG region.
2. Naugatuck CERT is planning to hold a basic CERT class beginning on October 24, 2017. Category A funding application was submitted to DEMHS today; only equipment being requested. Naugatuck will be using its own instructors. Class size is anticipated to be 15 to 20 persons.

Kind regards,

**Joanna B. Rogalski**  
Regional Planner



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## **Connecticut MRC Program September 2017**

There are 23 officially recognized MRC units in CT.

MRC Unit leaders continue to participate in monthly MRC Well Check conference calls. The most recent call September 2017 focused on deployments (or not) and the introduction of a new interim commander.

CT DPH continues to promote radiation training for MRC volunteers hoping to expand MRC capability and attract new members/volunteers.

Katherine McCormack, CT MRC Liaison, continues to represent the MRC program at the CT Citizen Corps Council bi-monthly meetings.

MRC activation requests during the last quarter have supported public health fairs, Public Access TV, CT VOST, support for public health initiatives and regional training and exercise programs (POD related) consistent with public health deliverables. CT-MRC anticipates fall activations will be consistent with flu and Drive-Thru flu clinics.

The six CT MRC units that received Challenge Awards from the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) this year are working in their respective communities to promote initiatives based on project scope and deliverables. Narcan training has been the focus of several CT Challenge Awards.

Deb Culligan MRC Unit Leader from Quinnipiac Valley will retire September 30. The MRC Region 1 folks will honor Deb at the September 25, 2017 meeting in North Haven.

The CT MRC Program was well represented at the DPH Healthcare Coalition meeting in Orange on September 14, 2017.



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The CT MRC program signed on as a sponsor for FEMA training scheduled for September 18, 2017 at CHA in Wallingford. The program, "You are the Help, until Help Arrives" was completely booked; however, FEMA canceled due to multiple hurricane deployments. FEMA expects to reschedule when the weather improves.

Francesca Provanzano is currently the DPH MRC contact and Katherine and Francesca have been meeting on program issues.

Questions and/or comments: Katherine McCormack [kmccor4040@aol.com](mailto:kmccor4040@aol.com)

**Scoville, Eric**

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**From:** Sastre, Joe <jsastre@groton-ct.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 09, 2017 2:13 PM  
**To:** Scoville, Eric  
**Subject:** RE: January SCCC meeting

No I did not – nothing to report that I was aware of.

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**From:** Scoville, Eric [mailto:Eric.Scoville@ct.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 09, 2017 2:09 PM  
**To:** Sastre, Joe  
**Subject:** RE: January SCCC meeting

Hi Joe:

Did you have a report for the last SCCC meeting in September?

Eric

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**Scoville, Eric**

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**From:** Patricia Davis <patdavisct@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 13, 2017 6:06 PM  
**To:** Scoville, Eric  
**Subject:** Region 3 Report for September

Eric please find report for Region 3 from the September Meeting. I will be sending you this month's report by Wednesday as I am still working on the report. Thanks

**Citizen Corps Council**

**CRCOG/DEMHS Region 3 Meeting  
RESF 6 (Volunteer Services Section)  
Monday September 11, 2017**

1. Presentation on the Notification and Tracking System “*I am*”. Mr. Adam Fleck from “*I a r*” gave us the presentation. This system is recognized by DEMHS. The annual fee is \$300.00 for 100 calls or less. This system not only alerts the team but tracks who is responding to the incident. It is also capable of creating up to 90 groups; keeping track of certifications and the renewal dates; it has the capabilities of tracking individual statistics as well as the group statistics. Mr. Fleck is available to give his presentation to individual teams or a group of teams. There are several CERTs that are using this system as well as volunteer fire departments. Mr. Fleck’s contact information is as follows: Phone – (315) 701-1372 ext 25 or email - [afleck@emergencysmc.com](mailto:afleck@emergencysmc.com). Several teams are participating in community events this fall.

The Connecticut State Police requested assistance from three CERTs to help them search a heavily wooded area to search for any information that would help them in the investigation of an incident that occurred earlier in the summer. Tolland Fire Chief and EMD John Littell coordinated the efforts. Teams from Ellington, Tolland, and Vernon were all activated and assisted the CSP. A good job was done by all.

2. CERT Ambassador Program – No requests for our team
3. Funding Requests – Category A – Canton (class beginning either the end of February or beginning of March).  
Category B – No Requests  
Category D – Ellington, Portland, and Windsor Locks

All requests were approved and sent to state committee.

4. Preparedness Committee – The committee held a Table Top Exercise on September 9, 2017 from 0900 to 1200 (noon) hrs. T exercise took place at the City of Hartford’s Emergency Operations Center. The following teams sent representatives to the exercise; Bristol, Canton, Ellington, Hartford, and Manchester. Local EMDs and team leaders were in attendance. Discussions determined that several questions needed to be researched before they can be answered. The committee will research these questions and will have answers for the next exercise. Other areas needing to be addressed – Living Documents need to be examined periodically and updated as necessary; training needs to be unified; need to have more Table Top Exercises; need to share information and updates on equipment. No date for the next exercise has been established

*Don Davis*