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Q1

Contact Info

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Q2

Name of CERT Program you are affiliated with

Rural Clark County

Q3

Name of Government Agency you are an employee with if applicable

Clark County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

Q4

Please indicate your current CERT roles (choose all that apply)

CERT Program Manager,
CERT Basic Instructor,
Staff for local Emergency Management

Q5

Please indicate your region (where you are physically based)

Region IX - Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Guam, America Samoa, Mariana Islands, Marshall Islands, Micronesia

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Q6

How many years have you been involved with CERT?

15

Q7

Which CERT related courses have you taken (select all that apply)

CERT Basic Training Course,
CERT Train-the-Trainer Course,
Teen CERT Annex for CERT Train-the-Trainer Course,
CERT Program Manager Course

Q8

Briefly describe your CERT experience

In 2003 & 2007 my community suffered from FEMA nationally declared wildfire disasters that devastated the mountain communities of the San Bernardino Mountains of Southern California. During the long road to recovering I was fortunate to become a CERT Volunteer and Program Manager. San Bernardino County Office of Emergency Management approved me to create 4 local CERT programs with in a rural 25 mile radius. I coordinated all four programs from recruiting, coordinating and assisting in training over 400 volunteers within 2 years. In addition to creating and coordinating these 4 programs I was able to raise funds to purchase a 27' training/response CERT trailer. I also coordinated purchasing and receiving donations to fill the trailer so that trainings and responding is made possible. In 2011 I was hired by San Bernardino County OES as an Emergency Services Officer and the California Disaster Corps Coordinator. In this position I was then working countywide with nearly 1,000 trained and registered volunteers.

Q9

Briefly describe a CERT project that you led or were a major part of and how it benefited your CERT program/community

As the California Disaster Corps Coordinator for San Bernardino County OES I was tasked with recruiting vetted CERT Volunteers to take the next step to be part of the CA Disaster Corps and become part of an elite statewide program deployable through the State of California's governors office. Within my community we were able to bring together over 250 volunteers and train them in additional tasks needed if they were to be called out. In adding these volunteers to the new state program it gave them the ability to step up and assist in areas not just their own communities. In 2018 I was recruited to take a position with Clark County (NV) Office of Emergency Management. In this position I am charged with creating CERT programs within the 8,000 sq miles of rural Clark County Nevada. In doing so I serve as the Rural Clark County CERT Program Manager creating and coordinating new rural CERT programs/vetted teams and assisting in new volunteer CERT training. At this point I have created 4 programs, with one more currently in the making.

Q10

Briefly describe how your skills, experience, and currently CERT related activities would be beneficial to the NCA and NCA Leadership team:

As a Program Manager of multiple programs both in the past and present I have the ability to bring different experiences to the table from two different states. I currently am serving as the 2022 Nevada Preparedness Summit, where emergency management staff, local, state and federal government partners and volunteers come together to share past and present lessons learned, etc. I also am a committee member and past chair of the National VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) Community Preparedness Committee. I am the immediate Past Chair of Southern California VOAD and serve as a government liaison for the Nevada VOAD. I am willing to provide any support I can give from past experiences.

Q11

NCA Board Members are required to lead/participate in NCA committees. Please indicate your level of interest in the following current/future NCA committees

CERT Awards Committee	6 - I am interested in leading this committee and have relevant experience in this area
CERT Train-the-Trainer and Program Manager Committee	2 - I will support this committee if needed and relevant experience in this area
CERT Volunteer Development and Support Committee	2 - I will support this committee if needed and relevant experience in this area
Communications Committee	0 - I am not interested in this committee
Credentialing Committee	2 - I will support this committee if needed and relevant experience in this area
Elections Committee	0 - I am not interested in this committee
ID Card Committee	2 - I will support this committee if needed and relevant experience in this area
International CERT Committee	0 - I am not interested in this committee
Marketing and Promotion Committee	0 - I am not interested in this committee
Membership Committee	0 - I am not interested in this committee
National CERT Conference Committee	4 - I am interested in joining this committee had have relevant experience in this area
Newsletter Committee	0 - I am not interested in this committee
Social Media Committee	0 - I am not interested in this committee
Training Committee	0 - I am not interested in this committee
Youth Preparedness Committee	2 - I will support this committee if needed and relevant experience in this area

Q12

What are some projects that you think the NCA should be working on/emphasizing to better support CERT programs and how can you help lead this project?

Volunteer retention is and will continue to be a project much needed especially now that we are attempting to bring the volunteers back on board from COVID-19 shutdowns. I am willing to support but not able to lead this project at this time.

Q13

As a NCA Regional Representative, you are representing CERT programs in your region. Briefly describe your relationship with CERT programs in your region, including your communication channel and how you could represent them accurately.

As a program manager for Rural Clark County I have been building a working relationships with communities that are in need of trainings and guidance. Each program is being created to support the local fire and police departments in times of need. I meet with each team monthly to continue building their programs to meet their needs.

Q14

NCA Leadership candidates are required to have a recommendation from their next in line in the CERT Hierarchy. CERT Volunteers need a recommendation letter from their CERT Program Manager CERT Program Managers need a letter of recommendation from their CERT Sponsoring Agencies CERT Program Managers that are also the Sponsoring Agency Point of Contact need a letter of recommendation from their supervisor State/Territory CERT Coordinators need a letter of recommendation from their supervisor and/or FEMA Region

Letter of recommendation will be submitted before the deadline.docx (11.7KB)

Q15

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(optional) Please upload any additional letters of recommendations or supporting documents

Q16

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(optional) Please upload any additional letters of recommendations or supporting documents

Q17

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(optional) Please upload any additional letters of recommendations or supporting documents



National CERT Association
1865 Veterans Park Drive #203
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September 7, 2021

To Whom It May Concern,

As CERT Administrator for the State of Nevada I would like to submit this recommendation letter on behalf of Cheryl Nagy, who is submitting her nomination for NCA Regional Representative.

Throughout the past 3 years I have worked with Cheryl in many different capacities. Over the 3 years Cheryl has been with Clark County Office of Emergency Management she has worked to create and grow the CERT program for Rural Clark County.

In her passion to educate the residents of rural Clark County - in personal and business preparedness - I have watched Cheryl train and coordinate volunteers to serve as vetted CERT members so that when the time comes those affected by disasters will be able to help not only themselves but others in the community. Cheryl brings much insight and professionalism to every project and program she is assigned to participate in. She prides herself on her leadership and organizational skills, along with meeting all required deadlines. NCA will definitely benefit by having Cheryl serve on your board.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Matthew Williams
CERT Administrator – State of Nevada