



Rowlett Citizen Corps Council  
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## Congratulations, New CERT Members

Congratulations to the graduates of our most recent CERT G-317 class. Due to the great attendance, we have new volunteers that have signed up and received CERT ID numbers. We are excited to have them join us in future trainings and activations.



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## CERT National Conference

Erik Ernst, Mike Ross and Whitney Laning recently attended the **2022 National CERT Conference** in Galveston. The three-day conference was sponsored by the National CERT Association (NCA) and the first national conference held by that organization. Over the three days, attendees learned about community resilience, program management and various other topics relating to CERT. The overwhelming take-away was that Rowlett and EastTex CERT are way above the curve and confirmed once again that North Central Texas CERT programs are leading Texas. The NCA plans to hold the 2023 CERT Conference in California. Membership in the NCA is open to any CERT member. For more information, look them up on the web



## Neighborfest!

CERT was well represented at the August **NeighborFest**. Since it was at the Public Works building that shares space with the Rowlett Animal Shelter, some of the shelter's present residents were given a chance to be seen and possibly get adopted. The NeighborFest activity lasted almost the entire 2 hours, but due to rain, was cut short. CERT Rehab was available for potential problems. Just another way of showing support for the city.



Sound like fun? You haven't missed your chance! Help staff the first aid station, and meet your neighbors at **Rowlett Neighborfest on Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup> 3:30PM – 7:30PM**. Wear your program shirt, bring bug spray and a hat. Report to the Rehab Unit parked across from City Hall at 4000 Main Street. **Sign up:** <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/755049>

For more information about the event, please visit [https://rowlettcitizencorps.org/wp/?page\\_id=322](https://rowlettcitizencorps.org/wp/?page_id=322)

## ARES News

September has our normal NET scheduled for the **5th at 21:00 on KR5EXP**. The in-person meeting is on **September 19th at 19:00**. It's possible that we may meet at our new digs, at 5100 Dalrock Road. More info is forthcoming.



## Track It Forward

Please track your service hours for all things volunteer! **And remember that the hours should be tracked for the program hosting the volunteer activity.** Example - the recent CERT G317 class was hosted by CERT - so your entry (service hours) should be entered as CERT regardless of your home program in this example.



## Remembering 9/11

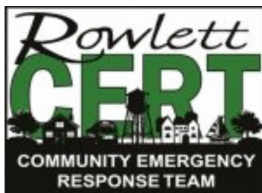
**9/11 Memorial Cross Set-up** We will set up 343 memorial crosses in honor of the first responders lost on 9/11. **Wednesday September 7<sup>th</sup> 5:30PM.** Report to Station 3 (**8000 Princeton Road**) to load the crosses for transport to Station 2 (8602 Schrade Road), where we will set up the crosses. Please bring work gloves.

<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/755051>

**9/11 Memorial Ceremony:** Please join us to honor first responders lost on 9/11. Ceremony will take place on Sunday September 11, 2022 at 8:00AM at Rowlett Station 2, 8602 Schrade Road, Rowlett TX.

## CERT in Action

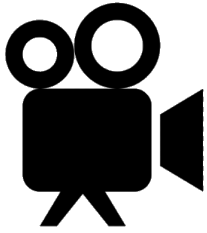
Are you new to our CERT program and wonder about what we did after the EF4 tornado strike back in 2015? Even if it's review, please mark your calendars for **Wednesday, September 21 at 7 pm.** This special presentation will replace our regular membership meeting scheduled for that same evening. The presentation will be 2 hours and will be held in the same place at Fire Admin HQ, 4701 Rowlett Road. We look forward to seeing you there!  
<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/754019>



## CERT Quarterly Drill

**Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>** Time: TBD. Location: TBD (will be given when One Call Now is activated).

Please listen to the call out message for our staging location. This will be a scenario-based drill. Respond as you would for an actual call out: Full PPE and protective clothing, full gear, etcetera.



## Movies on Main

Come enjoy a movie with free popcorn, while staffing the first aid station / rehab unit. Wear your program shirt, bring bug spray and a hat. Movies include "Encanto" on Sept 9th; "Sonic the Hedgehog 2" on Sept 16th; "Mitchells vs. the Machines" on Sept 23rd; "Clifford the Big Red Dog" on Sept 30th.

Report to the Rehab Unit parked at The Village of Rowlett Downtown (4000 Main Street) at around 6:45PM. Movie will begin at dusk (around 7:30PM).

September 9<sup>th</sup> <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/753943>

September 16<sup>th</sup> <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/753944>

September 23<sup>rd</sup> <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/753945>

September 30<sup>th</sup> <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/753946>

More information: <https://tx-rowlett.civicplus.com/771/Movies-on-Main>



## CERT Logistics Team

**The CERT Logistics Team** keeps the CERT equipment rolling. They maintain CERT's many vehicles, keep the communication equipment operational, and organize power and radios during a deployment. If you're handy and organized, and want to get involved, the Logistics Team meets on the second Thursday of each month at 1900 hours (7PM) at 5100 Dalrock Road. The next Logistics meeting is **Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**.

<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/759982>



The Rowlett Citizen Corps Council sponsors 7 Affiliated Programs, in 6 counties, with over 400 volunteers who contribute over 26,000 service hours annually.