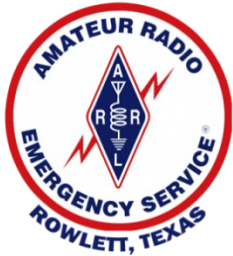


Upcoming Meetings and Volunteer Opportunities



ARES Monthly Net is scheduled for Monday, August 1st From 21:00 (9PM) to 22:00 (10PM) KR5EXP Repeater 444.775 + (110.9). The **ARES Monthly In-Person meeting** will occur on Monday, August 15th from 19:00 (7PM) to 21:00 (9PM) at Fire Administration Building, 4701 Rowlett Rd.

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Summer Concert Series Enjoy the music while staffing the first aid station / rehab unit. Wear your program shirt, bring bug spray and a hat. There will be live bands (Aug 5: Big Daddy Band; Aug 12: Dakota Ritter; Aug 19: Midnight Soul; Aug 26 Sons of Bocephus), Food Trucks and Yard Games every August Friday. Located at The Village of Rowlett Downtown (4000 Main Street).

August 5: <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/734872>

August 12: <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/734874>

August 19: <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/734876>

August 26: <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/734875>

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G317 Volunteers Needed Please help to prepare our latest CERT recruits! On Saturday, August 13th from 1500 (3PM) to 1800 (6PM) we need 15 volunteers to help test our G317 participants' knowledge. You'll take part in the Capstone exercise. It's a great skills refresher, and a chance to meet our newest CERT prospects. **Sign up here:**
<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/734880>

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August CERT General Meeting Mark your calendars for the **CERT General Meeting** on Wednesday, **August 17th** at 7:00PM at Fire Admin, 4701 Rowlett Road, Rowlett 75088. We will be covering **CPR / AED**. As always, please log your time:
<https://www.trackitforward.com/site/629100/event/737233>

More information about the meeting will be posted in the RCCC online calendar
https://rowlettcitizenorgs.org/wp/?page_id=322

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New! 'Big Blue House' Building Maintenance

Committee Now that we have our own place, we need to take care of it. We're forming a Building Maintenance Committee of six to eight folks who need to manage and plan, not necessarily do the work. The committee will be responsible for the general maintenance and care of the new Big Blue House building and grounds within our lease agreement. Ideally, we'd love to see a good mix of folks with experience managing and planning projects, handling issues, making repairs, etc. be on this very important team. Reporting to the RCCC Board of Directors, the advisory committee will give a quarterly status report on the facility, grounds and needs for funding. If you want to be considered for this committee, please email Whitney Laning at admin@rowlettcitizencorps.org.

Support for Big Blue House



We want TOOLS! We're building a workroom at the Big Blue House, and we need tools that are in good working condition. Tools such as ladders, socket sets, wrenches, screw drivers, pliers, rolling chest, power tools, creeper, etc. If you have extras, and are looking to donate them, please get in touch with Greg Bass at greg.bass1@verizon.net to arrange the donation.

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FUNDING

Donations Welcome The addition of the Big Blue House has put a strain on RCCC's budget for this year. While we believe funding will be better in this next budget, for the time being we're short on funds. If you would like to consider a tax-deductible donation to help bolster our reserves, please go to <https://rccc-100286.square.site/>. Thank you for your consideration. Please contact Whitney Laning at admin@rowlettcitizencorps.org for questions for concerns.

General Reminder

TRACK IT FORWARD

Please track your hours! The heartbeat of every organization is its volunteers and we need to the service hours you contribute. In the first six months of this year alone, you logged nearly 8,000 service hours for Rowlett CERT, Explorers, ARES and Fire Corps. And even more hours are logged in separate systems for VIPS and EastTex CERT. All tallied we're headed for another calendar year of over 25,000 service hours for the RCCC overall. That's tremendous and we thank you for your commitment and dedication to our community.

Log your hours at <https://www.trackitforward.com/site/rowlett-citizen-corps-council> If you have any problems getting into the system, email JP@theprescotts.info for assistance.