🧭 Community Responder Training (CRT)

Empowering Communities to Save Lives

Audience: Volunteers, neighbors, and local citizens with no prior rescue experience

Format: 3-day course (plus optional 4-day Training of Trainers module)

Delivery: In-person or virtual | Modular & adaptable | No training center required

🌍 Why This Course Matters

In the aftermath of disasters like earthquakes, 85–95% of live rescues happen within the first 24–48 hours—often by people already on the scene. Community responders are the first and most critical line of help. This course equips everyday people with the skills to act safely and effectively when it matters most 1.

📚 What You’ll Learn

Participants will gain practical, easy-to-understand skills in:

Disaster Awareness

Understanding risks, hazards, and the post-disaster environment 2 3

Rescue Team Basics

Roles, responsibilities, and how to form and manage a rescue team 4 5

Search & Rescue Techniques

Safe lifting, moving, breaking, cutting, and shoring methods 6 7 8 9 10

Medical First Response

Basic first aid, injury assessment, patient handling, and transport 11 12 13

Coordination & Planning

Information gathering, site safety, and working with professional responders 5 14

🧰 Flexible & Localized

The CRT course is designed as a toolbox—trainers can adapt sessions to local needs, languages, and environments. Exercises are simple, effective, and can be conducted anywhere.

🎯 Learning Outcomes

By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

Conduct basic search and rescue

Provide initial first aid

Coordinate with others on-site

Manage a small rescue team

Act safely and confidently in disaster zones