

August 28, 2006

Mr. Matthew Nutt
Citizen Corps Coordinator
State of Missouri Emergency Management Agency
P.O. Box 116
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Dear Mr. Nutt:

Enclosed you will find the grant application for the Phelps County (MO) Disaster Committee for the current CERT grant cycle. It includes the narrative and the line item budget requests that cover each of our six areas of interest:

- Fire Safety (Rolla, St. James and Rolla Rural Fire Departments)
- Neighborhood Watch (20+ NW groups throughout the county, Sheriff's Department, Rolla and St. James Police)
- Incident Support (American Red Cross)
- Severe Weather Shelters (Salvation Army, City of Rolla, area churches, schools)
- Medical Reserve Corps (Phelps County Health Department, PCRMC, Pathways)
- Citizen Corps Support (USGS, MRPC, MREPC, RSVP, UMR Retirees)

As you can see, we have developed partnerships with a wide variety of groups – both lay and professional - in Phelps County, and our mission is to provide each of them with the training they need to respond effectively to virtually any kind of disaster. We remain focused, however, on training laypersons to protect themselves and their neighbors.

We have also created a working relationship with the eight-county Meramec Regional Planning Commission (MRPC), an organization that has through the years developed an effective model for training first responders to handle HAZMAT incidents in the region.

The individuals associated with the organizations listed above are ready to continue their work to train the people of Phelps County for effective disaster preparation, response and relief. We are building a seamless network of citizens in Phelps County, and we are ready to give them the knowledge that will make them effective and self-reliant.

We appreciate the opportunity to present this proposal, and we pledge to expend any funds we receive responsibly. Please contact me (hogan14@fidmail.com or 573-364-2395) or Tammy Snodgrass (tsnodgrass@meramecregion.org or 572-265-2993) if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Edward J. "Buz" Harvey
President, Phelps County Disaster Committee

FY 04 CERT GRANT APPLICATION - Current Program

CERT Training Application -- FY 2005	
	** NEW APPLICANT - Phelps County has not previously benefited from expenditure of CERT funds. **
Describe what you plan to accomplish during this grant cycle. (You may insert Add'l lines as needed.)	Expand opportunities for training citizen volunteers in the basics of emergency preparedness and response through the CERT program. This program will be first aimed at Neighborhood Watch participants, as well as other volunteers and citizens throughout the county.
Estimate the number of people you intend to train.	PCDC plans to provide five additional CERT trainings to reach at least 100 additional members.
Can you do the above within this grant cycle? If not, why not.	Yes.
If a repeat applicant, describe your current capacity.	The PCDC provided only one CERT session under the FY'04 Citizen Corps grant.
Have you met past CERT training goals as described in your application? If not, why not?	CERT training has not been generally offered due to a lack of DHS/CC funding up to this point.
Describe your regional partnerships or immediate plans (within the next 6 months) for developing partnerships.	Emphasis will be placed on providing training for NW members. The goal is to establish a fully-staffed CERT team for each NW group or NW region in the county. PCDC also intends to work with local elected officials and emergency response agencies to encourage them to include CERT members in local training exercises.
List CERT Trainers that you utilize....	Bryan Lewis, City of Rolla Fire and Rescue HAZMAT/WMD Team Coordinator and CERT Trainer.
What are your greatest challenges with CERT-trained volunteers? How have you addressed those in the past?	We have limited experience with CERT since there has only been one training session in Phelps County. However, it is apparent that sustainability depends upon those CERT-trained volunteers being placed in the right context. In our region, it is clear that the best and most successful context is the Neighborhood Watch program. This will give trainees the opportunity to apply in a practical way the things they learn in the CERT program.
Why should your training needs be funded? Please state your answer in terms of benefit to your jurisdiction, your region, or the State.	Other than the single CERT training session previously offered under the FY04 CC grant, CERT is new to Phelps County. The delivery of CERT training to Neighborhood Watch participants will encourage greater participation in the safety of their neighborhoods. CERT training will provide NW participants and other volunteers with the basic training that will make them valuable partners with public safety professionals during exercises and actual emergencies.
Jurisdiction: Phelps County	Date:
Authority Name and Title:	Signature:
*** If your CCP has never received CERT funding, please indicate "New Applicant" as appropriate.	

Budget Detail Worksheet

Fiscal Year of Grant:

2006-2007

State: Missouri

CERT FY 2005

Jurisdiction:

Line Item	Training Budget	Items	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Comments
Training Workshops & Conferences						
	(Refer to and limit yourself to the descriptions in the CERT grant guidance.)				\$0	
	CERT Training Workshops and conferences	CERT trainings			\$2,500	
	CERT Conference (State)	Conference fees			\$150	
					\$0	
Sustainment Costs						
	Full or Part-time Staff or Contractors/Consultants				\$0	
	(Refer to and limit yourself to the descriptions in the CERT grant guidance.)				\$0	
	Contracting with MRPC to assist with coordination and implementation of training activities.	Coordination of programs.			\$1,700	
	Contracted Trainers	Providing training sessions for CERT			\$2,000	
					\$0	
					\$0	
Sustainment Costs						
	Travel Costs				\$0	
	(Refer to and limit yourself to the descriptions in the grant guidance.)				\$0	
	Travel expenses to attend state CERT conference				\$350	
					\$0	
					\$0	
					\$0	
Sustainment Costs						
	Supplies for Training				\$0	
	(Refer to and limit yourself to the descriptions in the CERT grant guidance.)				\$0	
	Course materials/publications				\$3,500	
	Food for trainings.				\$1,200	
					\$0	
					\$0	
Sustainment Costs						
	Other Items for Training Purposes				\$0	
	(Refer to and limit yourself to the descriptions in the CERT grant guidance.)				\$0	
					\$0	
					\$0	
					\$0	
					\$0	
Sustainment Costs						
Total Jurisdictional Request:					\$11,400	

Note: You are limited to 50% of your total request if budgeting other categories as well.....See pg. 3 of guidance

Sustainment Costs are those that replace allowable existing items purchased previously with CERT funds.