NCT Regional Citizen Corps Council

AGENDA May 12, 2020 / 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM Microsoft Teams

I. Welcome/Introductions

 Moment of silence for Gordy VanSteenberg – He passed away in February and was an integral part of the CERT and Citizen Corp world and was a co-founder of the Best Southwest Unified Citizen Corp Council

II. November Minutes

III. Project Updates

- Moulage Training
 - Training for approximately 40 people in July/August 2021. The training will be for real world mass casualty injuries to include but not limited to gunshot wounds, shrapnel injuries, bruising, and compound fractures.
- CERT Backpacks
 - Purchase of approx. 45 fully loaded CERT backpacks by the end of the summer. These are to be used for new teams in the region as a training cache

IV. Recent Purchases

- Originally these items were going to be purchased with 2021 funds, however with the exercise needing more time it was determined to move these items to 2019 funds to allow the exercise to be funded with 2021 funds
 - Tourniquets
 - Stop the Bleed Equipment

V. Other Business

- Open Discussion
 - COVID fatigue and PTSD
 - Best practices during a virtual environment
- Updates / Announcements
 - Event Calendar Demo
- Recent Incidents / Special Events

VI. Upcoming Dates

May 13-14, 2021 – Texas Volunteer Management Conference (Virtual)
May 20, 2021– EPPC Meeting
July 15-17, 2021 - National CERT Conference (Springfield, MO)
August 30 – September 2, 2021 – National Homeland Security Conference (Las Vegas)

Next Regional Council Meeting:

Wednesday, August 11, 2021 9:30-11:00 Microsoft Teams

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Meeting called to order at 9:30am.

MRC&CERT drill scheduled for March 6, 2021 with a deadline date of February 10 for drill rescheduling notice. Drill can be pushed as far out as July 31st. Location UNT Denton with round robin style exercises in triage, search and rescue, cribbing, size up, hazmat identification etc. MRC would focus on donning/doffing PPE, first aid, vaccine pod set up, etc. Gloves, gowns, and masks were requested in the quarterly report for the exercise. Motion to approve this plan was made by John Sargent and second by Brenda Gormley, motion carries.

<u>Hybrid CERT Curriculum</u>- approved until February 2021, consists of 12hrs online training and 16hrs of hands-on training. The hybrid model is still very 'people intensive', and many groups are not meeting in person at all or have no way to accommodate the hands-on portion of the curriculum. A sub committee will be formed to talk about other ways to engage membership.

Interest was expressed in a Train the Trainer class in the region, Candice will follow up with state to see when those classes might start up again.

<u>2020 Grant</u>- \$50,000 covers exercise, Regional Citizen Corps Coordinator position, Moulage training depends on size of venue to determine how many classes can be offered for 40 people with social distancing protocols so may not be offered until May/June, National CERT conference and TDEM partial attendance funds covered. If those conferences are cancelled, then those funds go back in general funds. Rest of grant is for equipment and supplies, such as backpacks, printing needs and office supplies. 2021 State Homeland Security grant- Due January 22, 2021, include travel to CERT conference, \$1500 for backpack purchase. Kit, Candice, and Brenda will work on the grant. January 15th is the grant writing workshop.

Emergency Preparedness Planning Council- Kit is on that board so she cannot present the grant, Whitney will present the grant on January 28, 2021. Suggested items to be included in the grant were a BullEx, regional moulage kits or supplies to restock those kits, stop the bleed packing material and tourniquets.

Radios- DHS has ruled that walkie talkies are not allowed for interop communications, must be P25 compliant.

Send Candice a list of activations during COVID. Next meeting will be February 17 through Microsoft Teams Future meeting dates: May 12, Aug 11, Nov 10

Adjourned 10:40am Tricia Lindsey Sachse CERT