

# CARING COMMUNITY NETWORK OF THE TWIN RIVERS GREATER FRANKLIN-BRISTOL CERT/MRC



## The RESPONDER

Serving the Communities of

Andover, Alexandria, Bridgewater, Bristol, Danbury, Franklin, Groton  
Hebron, Hill, New Hampton, Northfield, Salisbury, Sanbornton, and Tilton



We are finalizing details for this section still— here is a tentative list of our :

### UPCOMING EVENTS~

There is a new member orientation scheduled for Wednesday, August 31st from 6:30-8 at Bristol Fire Station.

~Join us in September for a series of Personal and Family Preparedness trainings! The trainings will offer our volunteers and community members information on how to be well prepared and what items to have on hand in an emergency.

#### In October:

~Grafton County Sheriff's department will present of their on their Code Red system.

~We will have the NH CO-OP present a Wires Down course.

To register or for more information please contact Donna Quinn, Coordinator at 603-934-0177 ext 136



## SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

Join the Greater Franklin-Bristol MRC and CERT teams during the month of September for National Preparedness Month for presentations on how to better prepare your home and your family for emergencies. Topics included will cover what to have in your emergency kit, how often to review/update your kit, essential food and medical supplies to have on hand. There are also many terrific online resources to help you prepare, two such sites are

[www.Ready.gov](http://www.Ready.gov) and [www.nh.gov/readynh/](http://www.nh.gov/readynh/). Below is a page from the Ready.gov site for kids. Please take the time to check out these resources and visit our web-site [www.gfbcertmrc.com](http://www.gfbcertmrc.com) for a complete list of dates and locations of trainings offered during National Preparedness Month.

Ready Kids: Know the Facts

**FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY** **FEMA READY KIDS**

Kids Home » Know The Facts

**STEP 1 CREATE A KIT**  
**STEP 2 MAKE A PLAN**  
**STEP 3 KNOW THE FACTS**  
**STEP 4 GRADUATE FROM READINESS 101!**

**LEARN ABOUT THE MOUNTAIN LION FAMILY**  
**FUN & GAMES**  
**PARENTS & TEACHERS**

**Let's Get Ready!**  
Helps Families Get Ready for Emergencies

**U KNOW WHAT'S UP!**  
The most important things you can do during an unexpected event are to stay calm and listen to the direction of adults around you, like your teachers or parents.

**KNOW THE FACTS**  
OK, now you have a supply kit and a plan, but what do you actually know about different kinds of weather events and other unexpected situations? The words and terms you hear during emergencies can be confusing. Here's an overview of the most common terms, as well as Web sites you can visit for more information!

**Tornado**  
A violent storm that appears as a funnel-shaped cone with winds that reach up to 300 miles per hour. Tornado season commonly occurs during the months of March through August, but they can occur at any time. They can happen in any state but are most commonly found in Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Texas - an area of which is commonly called "Tornado Alley".

"Tornado" was a 14th-century sailor's word for a violent, windy thunderstorm. It may come from the Spanish word tronada, meaning "thunderstorm."

If there are weather or news reports that say there is a tornado in your area, the most important thing to do is to take shelter immediately in a place without windows, such as a bathroom or a basement. [CLICK HERE FOR MORE](#)

**Earthquake**  
The movement of the earth along cracks (called fault lines) in the earth's surface. Earthquakes are measured by something called a Richter scale. While earthquakes are common on the West Coast, they can occur in 45 states and territories across the United States.

In 1280, "earthquakes" were called "eorthequakeynge".

<http://www.ready.gov/kids/step3/index.html> (1 of 3) [8/14/2011 11:34:37 AM]

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## Acronym Alley

Ever wonder what all of the acronyms mean? Here is the code to figure some out. Look for new ones each month:

**PAGs:** Protective Action Guides

**CRC :** Community Reception Center

**TSP:** Telecommunications Service Priority Program

**CMS:** The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

**APF:** Assigned Protection Factor

**HVA :** Hazard Vulnerability Analysis

**ANSI:** American National Standards Institute

- **If you have an acronym you think would be of interest to folks please email**



Have you registered with the Emergency System for Advanced Registration of Volunteer Health Care Professionals- ESAR-VHP. If not go to [www.icanhelp.NH.gov](http://www.icanhelp.NH.gov). It is a quick and easy way to register your credentials and it is a requirement for all GFB MRC members!



## ☺ LIKE US ON FACEBOOK !!!

Greater Franklin-Bristol CERT and MRC are now on Facebook And Twitter! Find out our most recent updates by visiting our Facebook page and tweet with us too! To access these links you can go to our web-site and click on the news section— the link to like us right there.



## WHAT HAVE CERT & MRC BEEN UP TO LATELY?

### THE CERT/MRC TEAM GOES TO THE HEBRON FAIR

On July 30, 2011 the Greater Franklin-Bristol Community Emergency Response (CERT) team and Medical Reserve Corp unit participated in the Hebron Fair. We had volunteers who assisted with traffic control and parking, at the request of the Hebron Police Department. Additionally, we worked with the Hebron Police Department to create child ID kits. These kits consisted of ID badges and finger prints and were free to families. Many thanks to all our volunteers for their constant support of our communities.



Members participate in our annual training day.

## CERT AND MRC ANNUAL TRAINING AND APPRECIATION DAY!

Each year we have an opportunity to celebrate our volunteers with an annual summer gathering. This year we combined the Greater Franklin and Greater Plymouth units and along with the celebration we added a training component and a pot-luck luncheon! We had a terrific time and it was great to see so many of our new volunteers there too. Thank you to all of our members for sharing their time and talents with us! And a special thank you to the Whole Village for sharing their space with us.

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