

## CALIFORNIA OVERVIEW

Ninety five county/local/tribal Councils serving 12,405,460  
 34 County Councils  
 59 Local Councils  
 2 Tribal Councils

## CITIZEN CORPS COUNCILS

**They Include, But Are Not Limited To:**

### Counties

- Citizen Emergency Response Team of Del Norte
- Kings County Citizen Corps Council
- Mendocino Citizen Corps Council
- Orange County California Citizen Corps Council
- San Bernardino County Citizen Corps Council
- Sacramento County Sheriff's Citizen Corps Council
- San Diego County Citizen Corps Council
- San Francisco Citizen Corps Council
- San Mateo County Emergency Services Council
- Solano County Citizen Corps Coordinating Council
- Sonoma County Operational Area Emergency Council
- Sutter County Citizen Corps Council
- Tulare Citizen Corps Council
- Ventura County Citizen Corps Council
- Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters/Citizen Corps Council of Humboldt County
- And More!

### Tribal Councils

- California Tribal Nations Statewide Emergency Management Council
- Southern California Tribal Emergency Planning Consortium

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## FUNDING

### FY06

\* \$30-40 Million nationally for Citizen Corps programs

### FY05

- \$1,100,000
- Citizen Corps funding through DHS/ODP

### FY04

- \$2,766,000
- Citizen Corps funding through DHS/ODP

### FY03

## CALIFORNIA STATE CITIZEN CORPS PROGRAM

The Governor's California Service Corps (CSC) Citizen Corps Program mission is to strengthen California against disasters and emergencies of all kinds through programs that engage community volunteers in preparedness, prevention mitigation, relief, response, and recovery activities.

California's Citizen Corps Program works closely with federal and state Departments of Homeland Security, the Corporation for National and Community Service, the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, local emergency management agencies, California's tribal nations, the American Red Cross, California's VOADs (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) and many others -- to implement California's Citizen Corps Program.

## COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

In 2003, a CERT Workgroup was developed to provide guidance and support to California's rapidly growing CERT community. The workgroup is comprised of CERT program "experts" from the field. Members are primarily from the fire service community but also include representatives from emergency management agencies, Red Cross, schools, business and industry.

Over the last two years, the group provided a series of Train-The-Trainer courses across the state; developed a new "Wildland Urban Interface" module endorsed by the state's fire service community; and, developed and offered a new T-4 Instructor Academy course for program managers.

This year, the workgroup is planning to provide additional T-4 courses starting in September in the San Diego area. They are also working on developing new modules such as Search and Rescue, Urban Search and Rescue, Hazardous Materials and others.

## CALIFORNIA FIRE CORPS: PROGRAM LAUNCH

Fire Corps - Citizen Corps' newest program is here! Fire Corps, a vital component of the Citizen Corps program in California, will work behind the lines to help firefighters on the front lines. Volunteers will help with administration, logistics, food service, and more. This program will help build the capacity of local fire service units to conduct additional outreach.

## TEAM SAFE-T

Team SAFE-T (School and Family Training) is a partnership to support preparedness education for children in grades K-12. The program is endorsed by First Lady of California, Maria Shriver. California Service Corps will help in Team SAFE-T to allow high school students to earn service credit through Team SAFE-T that is often needed for graduation requirements. Team SAFE-T partners with an alliance of public and private organizations to help achieve its goal. The program hopes to create a future of prepared children and adults in

## CITIZEN CORPS COUNCILS

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### Cities

- Town of Apple Valley Citizen Corps Council
- Benicia Citizen Corps Council
- City of Campbell Emergency Services/Citizens Corps
- City of Colton Citizen Corps Council
- City of Corona Citizen Corps Council
- Costa Mesa Citizen Corps
- National Family Life Citizen Corps Council
- City of Cupertino
- El Cerrito Citizen Corps Council
- Fontana Citizen Corps Council
- Fresno Citizen Corps
- Rodeo-Hercules Fire District Citizens Corp.
- Huntington Beach Citizen Corps Council
- Emerald Bay Citizen Corps Council
- Laguna Niguel Public Safety Committee
- South Central Los Angeles Citizen Corps Council
- South Central Prevention Coalition
- Emergency Response Corps
- Neighborhood Citizen Corps Council
- Manteca Area Citizen Corps Council (MACCC)
- Milpitas Disaster Council/Citizen Corps Council
- Morongo Valley Citizen Corps Council
- Orangevale Citizen Corps Council
- Placentia Freedom Corps
- City of Redlands
- Redondo Beach Citizen Corps Council
- Riverside Citizen Corps Council
- Roseville Citizen Corps
- San Jose Citizen Corps Council
- City of San Mateo Citizen Corps
- Stockton California Citizen Corps Council
- Temecula Citizen Corps Council
- Union City Citizen Corps Council
- Town of Yucca Valley Citizen Corps
- STATE POC

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## CHARTER PARTNERS IN CALIFORNIA



### CERT

- 157 Active Community Emergency Response Teams listed on the CERT directory



### VIPS

- 221 Volunteers in Police Service programs



### Neighborhood Watch

- 1394 Registered Neighborhood Watch groups serve their communities



### Medical Reserve Corps

- 29 Medical Reserve Corps units



### Fire Corps

- 26 Fire Corps Units

our country, and uses an all-hazard approach.

## '05 GOAL: INSTITUTIONALIZE

Citizen Corps will be the focus-point for long-term usage of emergency volunteerism in California. The 2004 Citizen Corps grant calls for the development of local volunteer resource management plans and strategic implementation plans—to ensure statewide, consistent integration of these resources. California is also fielding a new concept of specialized, trained AmeriCorps service programs to allow for a deployable resource consistent with development of Citizen Corps programs. A state-level plan will also follow.

## COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

The Fresno Citizen Corps Council has formed a community network that includes: business, civic, medical, military, social service, governmental, law enforcement, education, disaster response and faith-based communities. Fresno Citizen Corps Council also provides training programs in Spanish and several Southeast Asia languages—and is leading the state's efforts locally to develop the new "Fire Corps" program in the state.

The Los Angeles City Fire Department, which created the original CERT program, trains more than 2,000 CERT members each year. Its members have assisted in emergencies ranging from earthquakes to the '03 wildfires.

The United Way of Humboldt County raised more than \$275,000 during its 2003-2004 annual campaign to support its role with the VOAD/Citizen Corps Council of Humboldt—a coalition of nonprofit organizations working with the county on disaster-relief efforts.

Mendocino County's Citizen Corps Council is part of the County Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Committee. The county has established Neighborhood Emergency Services Teams (NESTs). NEST members receive the basic CERT training, plus an additional 80 hours of specialized training.

**Of special note**—the CSC works closely with the California Tribal Nations/Emergency Management Council towards establishing regional emergency management councils & CERT programs benefiting the 109 federally-recognized Tribes in CA. Tribes have received funds from Citizen Corps in every grant cycle.