

# PUBLIC SAFETY

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### DIVISION OF FIRE

#### **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Member**

Henrico Fire's Office of Emergency Management has a need for volunteers to provide community emergency response support during emergencies. CERT members will prioritize their own safety first and foremost in any emergency situation. In the event of an emergency CERT members may be involved in any or all of the following activities within their own neighborhoods: Assist with duties as assigned in a disaster to include providing information on damage assessment, light search & rescue, triage and basic first aid, scene safety and situational awareness. Assist in emergency shelter environments, logistics and resource management needs during an incident or event, and other skills as appropriate through the volunteer's background, education, and skill set.

**Skills Required:** Completion of a classroom Basic CERT course (IS-317 does not qualify for this skill requirement). Must complete NIMS 700, ICS 100, and ICS 200. Other Independent Study courses and training (i.e. first aid, CPR, etc.) will be assigned based on interest and involvement. Must successfully complete a background investigation, to include a criminal history check, as forth by the Division of Fire.

**Age Requirements:** Must be at least 18 years of age.

**Volunteers Needed:** Unlimited

**Hours Needed:** Varies; members may be called upon any time within the 24-hour period in the event of an emergency. For more information about the CERT program, please visit the Henrico CERT website.

### DIVISION OF POLICE

#### **Motorist Assistance Volunteers**

The Division of Police is seeking volunteers to provide patrol and motorist assistance to citizens. Volunteers will be responsible for working in pairs to patrol County roads and assist stranded motorists with disabled vehicles; directing traffic at accident scenes, blocking closed roadways, assisting with road checks, and working special events. Motorist Assistance volunteers are a tremendous asset in freeing up officers, so they may perform their law enforcement duties.

**Volunteers Needed:** Minimum of 8hrs a quarter and must attend one monthly meeting a quarter.

**Age Requirements:** Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.

**Hours Needed:** Primarily weekdays from morning rush hour through around 9:00 p.m. Other hours and special assignments available.

**Additional Information:** This position requires a thorough background check, which can take up to 90 days to complete. Applicants are required to submit a physical capabilities form signed by their physician. The Police Division provides the necessary uniforms, equipment, and training to those who enter the program. For more information about Police volunteer opportunities, please visit the Volunteers in Policing page, check out the Volunteers in Policing brochure, or contact the Division of Police's Volunteer Services Coordinator at 804-501-5934.