

PUBLIC SAFETY

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

DIVISION OF FIRE

Amateur Radio Operator

Henrico Fire's Office of Emergency Management has a need for volunteers to assist with communications during emergencies or disasters. Volunteers will be responsible for furnishing communications in the event of an emergency or disaster or other non-emergency County event where radio communication is disrupted, overloaded, or unavailable, as directed by the County's Amateur Radio Services and Deputy Coordinator of Emergency Management.

Skills Required: Must Hold a valid Amateur Radio license of the Technician Class or higher; complete Basic and Advanced SlyWarn weather spotting classes and maintain certification through the National Weather Service Office in Wakefield, VA; Successful completion of NIMS 700, ICS 100, and ICS 200 required; Successful completion of IS-800 preferred; Completion of damage assessment courses offered through the Virginia Department of Emergency Management. Demonstrated ability to function appropriately in a directed net; Demonstrated ability to function appropriately in a non-directed net; Successfully complete a background investigation through the Division of Fire and other requirements as set forth by the Henrico County Human Resources Volunteer Coordinator; Successfully complete a disaster communications class or demonstrate the requisite skills; Demonstrate adequate interpersonal skills to represent HCOEM, the Division of Fire, and other County outreach programs in a positive manner to the public and other County agencies.

Age Requirements: Please contact the Office of Emergency Management Coordinator at mcr@henrico.us.

Volunteers Needed: Unlimited

Hours Needed: Members may be called upon any time within the 24-hour period in the event of an emergency

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.