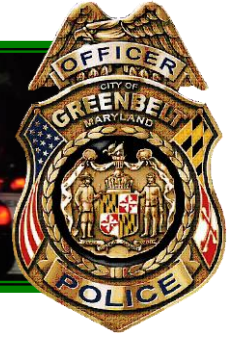


GREENBELT POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Greenbelt to participate in first ever multi-Municipality evening mass casualty drill

Cooperation is a major factor in any disaster scenario. The Community Emergency Response Teams (C.E.R.T.) of Berwyn Heights along with the cities of Greenbelt and Laurel will jointly respond to a disaster scenario at the Berwyn Heights Elementary School on the evening of September 12th, 2015 to practice procedures in disaster response including search and rescue, mass casualty care and a full deployment of emergency assets. Deploying these assets, locating and treating casualties is to be the focus of the night's exercise.

The three municipalities have a long history of cooperation and training together. It is understood that in any real life disaster they may be called upon to help their neighboring municipality. An important feature of this exercise is that the drill is not encumbering major municipal government resources or management. Rather, the operation is being staffed and managed by organized and trained citizen volunteer C.E.R.T groups dedicated to first response capabilities including search and rescue procedures, triage, first-aid and other disaster related disciplines.

Persons wishing to participate in this exercise either as a rescuer or a victim/survivor are urged to go to <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/mass-casualty-certex-berwyn-heights-2015-tickets-18039171648?aff=es2> to register. Or for more information write to: Berwyn.heights.certs@hotmail.com

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