



## Code of Conduct

Because maintenance of public trust and confidence is crucial to the effectiveness of the Emergency Management profession, members of **Citizen Corps** adhere to the highest standards of ethical and professional conduct.

This *Code of Conduct* for the trained **Citizen Corps** member reflects the spirit and proper conduct dictated by society and commitment to the well being of all. The members will abide by the core values of **RESPECT, COMMITMENT** and **PROFESSIONALISM**.

### **A Citizen Corps Volunteer:**

- Is a person who carries out volunteering activities for Council programs, occasionally or regularly.

### **A Citizen Corps Volunteer will:**

- Be mindful of personal safety issues.
- Be aware of situational dangers and not, at any time, put themselves or others at risk.
- Be impartial in the treatment, welfare and rights of all people.
- Safeguard confidences and privacy within constraints of the law.
- Behave in accordance with their city, county and/or state policy on Crisis Communication and cooperate fully with the assigned spokesperson during a crisis.
- Cooperate fully with supervisors, community professionals responding to the situation.
- Collaborate in a smooth transition from their care to that of the professional emergency responders once they arrive on scene.

### **Volunteering for Citizen Corps is an activity that:**

- Is motivated by the free will of the person volunteering, and not by a desire for material or financial gain or by external social, economic or political pressure.
- Is intended to benefit vulnerable individuals and their communities in accordance with Citizen Corps Council guidelines.
- Is organized by recognized representatives of Citizen Corps or a partner organization.

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**Name of Citizen Corps Member**

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**Name of Witness**

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**Signature of Citizen Corps Member**

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