



# YOU ARE INVITED ...

## COUNTYWIDE COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION TEAM MEETING

**WHEN:** Tuesday, August 13, 2013  
**TIME:** 6:30 P.M.  
**WHERE:** Vista Center, 2300 N. Jog Rd (Room VC 1E-60), West Palm Beach, FL



### WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN ABOUT...

- ✦ Minimizing the Impact of Emergencies and Disasters on Your Community?
- ✦ How to help yourself, your family, and your neighbors in the event of a disaster?
- ✦ How to identify and identify hazards at home?
- ✦ The skills needed in emergency preparedness and response?

Then, join us at our upcoming

### Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting

And learn from the experts!

### SPECIAL PRESENTATION

### COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAMS



**Pat Johnson**  
Volunteer CERT Coordinator



**Pat Johnson**, Volunteer CERT Coordinator with the Palm Beach County Department of Emergency Management, will be in attendance to provide information about CERT, a community based organization of residents who learn how to take emergency response actions in safe ways until the professional emergency responders can respond.

These citizens learn how to work in a coordinated manner caring for those citizens within their community affected by a disaster. The Division of Emergency Management has trained over 3200 CERTs throughout Palm Beach County in disaster preparedness, disaster medical services, light urban search and rescue for trapped citizens, disaster communications, disaster psychology and terrorism.

Ms. Johnson is the Liaison between CERT and the many communities involved, and is responsible for administration and management of the Citizen Corps umbrella of programs. This includes conducting Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training by utilizing various grant funds, communicating to the established CERT's within Palm Beach County, and recruiting new members of CERT. The Liaison Section is also responsible for creating and participating in various community preparedness events, conducting all-hazard preparedness speeches, disseminating preparedness materials and promoting volunteerism. Pat and her husband started the Loxahatchee Groves CERT in 2007 and served as co-leaders for 3 years.

### We look forward to seeing you and your neighbors!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [Duane Gainer](#), Senior Planner, at 233-5318.