

WE ARE THE RED CROSS

LIFESAVING SKILLS

Whether you work with children, want training for a new or existing job, are a professional rescuer or simply want to know how to help someone in an emergency, we can help you build the skills you need to save a life. Our classes for students of all ages keep people safe at home, at school and in the workplace by teaching them not only how to respond to emergencies, but also how to prevent them. We can also train you and your co-workers at your site or train you to become a certified instructor.

Consider a sampling of classes. Wouldn't you feel safer knowing you or someone close to you had these skills?

- Standard First Aid with CPR-Adult, Child and Infant
- Administering Emergency Oxygen
- Lifeguarding
- Babysitter's Training
- Client Casework: Providing Emergency Assistance
- Coping with Deployments: Psychological First Aid for Military Families
- Mass Casualty Disasters

Remember, the life you save could be a loved one's. You can register online at any time. 2009 courses are now available for registration!



IN 2008:
21,661 CITIZENS TRAINED!

FACT SHEET 2008-09

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INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

The American Red Cross of Central Texas helps Central Texans restore family links abroad and trace lost family members.

In collaboration with the International Committee of the Red Cross and more than 180 national societies, the American Red Cross works to locate loved ones who are missing due to war, natural disaster, or civil unrest and sends Red Cross messages between separated family members.

In collaboration with The Holocaust and War Victims Tracing Center, we assist persons seeking the fates of loved ones missing since the Holocaust and its aftermath. Cases remain open, and if new information becomes available, it is immediately shared with the inquirer.



American Red Cross
of Central Texas

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RED CROSS MESSAGE

SENDER: _____

ALL NAME (AS SHIPPED LOCALITY) _____

DATE OF MESS: _____ SEX: _____ RACE OR ETH: _____ NATIONALITY: _____

RECIPIENT'S FULL NAME (AS SHIPPED LOCALITY) _____

RECIPIENT'S FULL NAME (AS SHIPPED LOCALITY) _____

FULL ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE: _____

THE ADDRESS IS BY: MOTHER FATHER OTHER OTHER SELF OTHER

SON DAUGHTER GRANDCHILDREN GRANDPARENTS

NEAR FUGITIVE DEPORTED OTHER UNKNOWN

ADDRESSERS: _____

emergency communication

IN 2008:
7 CASES OPENED AND 39 SERVICES
PROVIDED
■ INCLUDING 3 HOLOCAUST TRACING CASES

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EMERGENCY SERVICES

The mission of Emergency Services at The American Red Cross of Central Texas is to ensure disaster planning, preparedness, community disaster education, mitigation and response. The American Red Cross of Central Texas responds to disasters such as house and apartment fires, floods, tornadoes, hurricanes or other situations that cause human suffering or create human needs that those affected cannot alleviate without assistance.



With a dedicated staff and a core group of Disaster Action Team (DAT) volunteers, disaster mental health volunteers, family service caseworkers, shelter managers and shelter workers, bilingual communicators, public information officers, records and reports volunteers and Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) drivers, Emergency Services is on call 24/7/365 anywhere Central Texans need help. We provide services such as food, clothing, shelter/temporary housing, bedding/linens, replacement of prescription medicines and essential health supplies, plus disaster health services, mental health counseling, and referrals.

IN 2008:
7,637 MEALS AND 10,724 SNACKS
OVER 6,100 SHELTERED
OVER 150 DISASTERS RESPONDED TO
OVER 1,500 VOLUNTEERS TRAINED

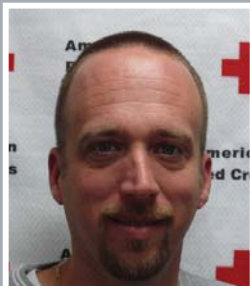
Consider how you can get involved: get informed; make a disaster plan yourself (check out Preparedness Tips online); get your family prepared; keep your plan up-to-date; become a volunteer; donate.

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SERVICE TO THE ARMED FORCES



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American Red Cross of Central Texas paid and volunteer staff provide emergency-related services to members of the U.S. armed forces, veterans, their families and civilians.

Emergency Communications

When a death, serious illness, birth of a child or another critical event makes communication urgent, we can help get an emergency message to a family member in the military. The information provided aids military authorities in processing emergency leave and extension requests for the service member.

Counseling

Personal and family counseling and referrals for non-crisis situations are available.

Disaster Preparedness Education

A variety of disaster education materials are available to help service members and their families prepare for emergencies.

Financial Aid/General

Service members and their families can experience unique financial problems. These may include a delayed pay allotment, financial neglect of family members or emergency travel expenses. The American Red Cross of Central Texas helps to resolve these problems through referrals to appropriate resources and coordinating loans from military aid societies.

IN 2008:
691 CASES OPENED TO AID
MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND
THEIR FAMILIES
1,794 SERVICES PROVIDED
50,000 HOLIDAY MAIL FOR
HEROES CARDS PROCESSED