



Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training Program

20-hour CERT classes held every Spring and Fall and on-demand as requested. In a disaster, CERT-trained volunteers report to VRC's for assignment. CERT training emphasized protecting yourself, your family, and your community.



Calhoun-Cleburne County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)

MRC Sponsor:
 JSU School of Nursing

Coordinator:
 Dr. Phyllis Waits, RN

MRC provides medical support from volunteer health professionals in times of community need such as disasters and special events to augment EMS, public health, and hospitals.



Disaster Animal Welfare Group (DAWG)

DAWG is a volunteer team of animal control officers, veterinarians, and other community members who provide emergency animal rescue, shelter, and care in disasters.



**Youth/Student Preparedness
 Campus CERT
 Teen CERT**

Student Preparedness Coordinator:

Melonie Carmichael
 JSU Police Dept.

Student preparedness encourages CERT programs in schools and local colleges, in addition to coordinating an annual Youth Preparedness Camp.



**Volunteer Management/
 Volunteer Reception Center (VRC)**

Volunteer Management Coordinator:

Denise Rucker
 Calhoun County RSVP

RSVP coordinates volunteerism before a disaster – VRC's are established during a disaster to handle work assignments for volunteers.



Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)

VOAD President:

Les Honts,
 Williams FBC

VOAD works to enhance coordination among faith- and community-based groups that provide disaster services.



Business Preparedness

Business Preparedness Coordinator:

Amy Stone
 Quintard Mall

The Business Preparedness initiative works to increase the resilience and readiness of local business and industry and increase the private sector's participating in community disaster response and recovery.

Calhoun Citizen Corps Council & Officers

For information about meeting dates and times, please contact Calhoun County EMA at 256-435-0540

