



## **Citizen Corps Council – March 13<sup>th</sup> Minutes**

Attendees:

*Janet Hooks – City of Memphis: Division of Community Enhancement*

*Kim McGrath - Volunteer Memphis*

*Jeana Bailley – Mid-South Red Cross*

*Cassandra Dove - Memphis/Shelby County Health Department*

*Perry McEwen – Shelby County Sheriff's Office*

*Jennifer Price – Memphis Shelby County of Health Department*

*Garland Kimble – Shelby County Fire Department*

*Ronald Benson – Shelby County Fire Department*

**Next meeting – Wednesday, April 16th, 9am at the EMA, 2668 Avery**

### **Our Agenda for March meeting:**

- a. **Letter to the Council Members:** The letter to the Council members asking someone to become to Chair of the Citizen Corps Council was sent out to the officials. We have not heard anything for anyone at this time. Janet Hooks is going to talk with Chairman McCormick to appoint one of the Council members to Chair the Citizen Corps Council, perhaps the Council person who is currently chairing the Public Safety division. We will keep you posted on what happens.
  
- b. **Letter to the Neighborhoods/Kickoff of Preparing our Neighborhoods:** This was supposed to happen sometime in March, but the Office of Youth Services and Public Relations building on Hollywood where we were going to hold the event flooded. It was mentioned and suggested that since Volunteer Memphis and Memphis/Shelby County Health Department's Public

Health Emergency Preparedness Program is hosting an **Emergency Preparedness Expo** on April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Central Library from 4pm to 7pm, that we should invite the Neighborhood Association Presidents to the Expo and have a breakout session just for the Neighborhoods to talk about CERT and preparedness and register for trainings. Janet Hooks is going to change the Neighborhood letter and invite the leaders to the Emergency Preparedness Expo on April 30<sup>th</sup> and then we will send out the letter on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Cassandra Dove is also going to rework her flyer to reflect the April 30<sup>th</sup> event.

- c. **Centralized Database of Emergency Volunteers:** Red Cross, Medical Reserve Corps, and Volunteer Memphis still have some reservations about having a centralized database due to privacy rights of the volunteers. Everyone is open to discussing if this can be done, but still a little skeptical. Randall Roby when he was still with the Memphis/Shelby County EMA talked about Web EOC, which seems like an application where every agency can control their own volunteers, but it is still in one application. Janet also brought up that we could use University of Memphis students if we need help in designing websites or databases and even data entry.
- d. **Citizen Corps By-laws:** We did not go over the By-laws during our meeting this month, but we are to read over them and make changes before our next meeting, which is April 16<sup>th</sup> at 9 am at the EMA. The By-laws can be found at [www.volunteermemphis.org/citizencorps.htm](http://www.volunteermemphis.org/citizencorps.htm).
- e. **Shelby County Sheriff's Office Community Awareness Meeting**  
**Schedule: *Please invite and try to attend these area meetings for your county.***

- 1. **Tipton County**

- Thursday March 20th from 6pm-8pm

- Jimmy Naifeh Center Auditorium

- Dyersburg State Community College

- 3149 Highway 51 South

Covington, TN 38019

**2. Shelby County**

Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-8pm

First Assembly

8650 Walnut Grove

Cordova, TN 38018

**3. Fayette County**

Thursday March 27<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-8pm

Bill G. Kelley Justice Complex

70 S. Justice Drive

Somerville, TN

**4. Desoto County**

Thursday March 27<sup>th</sup> from 6pm-8pm

Desoto Civic Center

4650 Venture Drive

Southaven, MS 38671

These meetings will also take place in other counties in the Mid-South, but these are the confirmed dates at this time. I will let everyone know the others as they become available.