

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

SUPPORTING WARREN AND WEST BROOKFIELD

The year 2011 brought a series of unprecedented natural disasters to the state of Massachusetts: the June tornadoes, Tropical Storm Irene in August and Winter Storm Alfred in late October that knocked out power to most of our Warren and West Brookfield citizens and businesses.

In response, Warren officials, supported by volunteers, opened and operated a community shelter at Quaboag Regional Middle /High School, providing hot meals, refreshments, hot showers and a safe overnight rest point for any citizen of Warren and West Brookfield. The volunteer group that operated the shelter has now formed the core of the local CERT Team.

Following an intensive training schedule, members of this team are fully operational and available to assist our communities and their first responders in the event of any future natural or other disaster.