

# American Red Cross of the Susquehanna Valley 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2008 (Jan, Feb, Mar) Disaster Training Schedule

## Fulfilling Our Mission

The purpose of this **basic Level** course is to introduce participants to the role of the Red Cross in the community's actions in preparing for, responding to and recovering from emergencies and disasters. Participants will be able to assess how to use their skills & abilities to strengthen the capacity of both the community & the Red Cross to better serve people affected by disaster. They will understand the mission of the Red Cross, the principles & values that support the mission & the expected behaviors of Red Cross volunteers and employees in the conduct of that mission and then will be given the next steps. **Prerequisite:** *American Red Cross Volunteer Orientation and Online Background Check.* **This course is mandatory for all other disaster classes.**

Harrisburg	Tues, Jan 8	6 – 9 pm
	Tues, Mar 4	6 – 9 pm
Lancaster	Tues, Feb 5	6 – 9 pm

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## Mass Care: An Overview

The purpose of this **basic level** training is to provide an overview of the activities performed by the Mass Care group and support of a disaster relief operation. **Prerequisite:** *Fulfilling Our Mission.*

Harrisburg:	Thurs, Feb 7	6 – 9 pm
Lancaster:	Thurs, Jan 10	6 – 9 pm
	Thurs, Mar 6	6 – 9 pm

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## Shelter Operations

The purpose of this **basic level** class is to prepare volunteers and employees of the Red Cross to effectively and sensitively manage shelter operations as a team while meeting the needs of people displaced as a result of a disaster. **Prerequisites:** *Fulfilling Our Mission and Mass Care Overview.*

Harrisburg	Sat, Mar 22	9 am – 12 pm
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## Shelter Simulation

The purpose of this **basic level** training is to provide participants with an opportunity to apply the knowledge, skills and abilities required to operate a successful shelter. **Prerequisites:** *Fulfilling Our Mission, Mass Care Overview, and Shelter Operations.*

Harrisburg	Sat, Mar 22	12:30 pm – 3:30 pm
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Please see attached sheet for enrollment/training policies and procedures.

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## Supervision on a Disaster Assignment (SODA)

The purpose of this **basic level** course is to help participants make the transition from their traditional job to that of a Red Cross disaster Relief operation supervisor so that they can successfully manage their assigned staff and work unit. **Prerequisites:** *Fulfilling Our Mission, Mass Care Overview and Supervisory life experience.*

Harrisburg

Sat, Jan 12

9 am – 1 pm

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## Weapons of Mass Destruction/Terrorism: An Overview

The purpose of this **basic level** course is to provide basic information about the issues and safety concerns related to responding to a disaster incident in an environment involving Weapons of Mass Destruction/Terrorism (WMD/T). Participants will learn about the knowledge, skills and abilities needed by disaster workers performing duties in this environment. **Prerequisites:** *Fulfilling Our Mission and Mass Care Overview.*

Harrisburg

Sat, Jan 26

10 am – 2 pm

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## Disaster Instructor Specialty Training

The purpose of this **advanced level** course is to prepare knowledgeable and experienced disaster services workers to teach basic level disaster training courses, thereby ensuring uniform and quality disaster training consistent with Red Cross policies and the regulations and procedures of disaster services.

**Prerequisites:** *Fulfilling Our Mission, Mass Care Overview, Any 3 other basic disaster courses and Fundamentals of Instruction and Facilitation (Self-study: Please see chapter staff for workbook and video)*

Harrisburg

Sat, Feb 2

8 – 5 pm

Sun, Feb 3

8 – 5 pm

\* **5898H must be submitted and approved to attend this course no later than December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008.**

\* **Must attend both days to receive credit for this course.**

\* **Must bring self-study course Quiz to class or submit to training department before class begins.**

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## Fundamentals of Chapter Disaster Operations Management (FCDOM)

The purpose of this **advanced level** course is to prepare Red Cross employees and leadership volunteers to manage a small disaster relief operation, which is chapter managed and accounted, and at least partially funded by the Disaster Relief Fund. **Prerequisites:** *Fulfilling Our Mission, Mass Care Overview, Client Casework, Fundamentals of Disaster Assessment, Client Assistance Cards: Financial and Statistical Information Management Workers, and Collaborating to Ensure Effective Service Delivery.*

Harrisburg

Fri, Feb 22

6 – 9:30 pm

Sat, Feb 23

8:30 am – 5 pm

\* **5898H must be submitted and approved to attend this course no later than January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008.**

\* **Must attend both days to receive credit for this course.**

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## **ERVs: Ready, Set, Roll**

The purpose of this **basic level** course is to prepare Red Cross employees and volunteers to operate an Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) and its equipment safely and effectively to meet feeding and other service needs of people affected by disaster. **Prerequisites:** *Fulfilling Our Mission, Mass Care Overview, Satisfactory DMV Record and Online Defensive Driving Certificate.*

Harrisburg

Sat, Feb 23

9 – 5 pm

\* Please contact training department for more information on The Online Defensive Driving Course.

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## **Humanity in the Midst of War: Introduction to International Humanitarian Law and American Red Cross International Services: An Overview (chapter created workshop)**

This **basic level** course is intended to raise awareness among Red Cross representatives and general audiences about the Geneva Conventions, the basic rules of international humanitarian law, and the role of the Red Cross during armed conflict to implement IHL. Through a hands-on approach utilizing group activities, class discussion and multiple audiovisual aids, this newly-updated course invites participants to reflect on their images and perceptions of armed conflict and explore the powerful and fundamental concept of *human dignity* even in the midst of the excesses of war. **Prerequisites:** *Fulfilling Our Mission.*

Harrisburg

Sat, Mar 1

10 am – 5 pm

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