

## Citizen Corps/CERT Registration System Update

On Thursday, August 28 there will be a significant upgrade to the Citizen Corps/CERT Registration system. There has been a great deal of feedback on how to improve this system and make it a better tool for state and local Citizen Corps and CERT programs. Thanks to everyone who reached out, identifying not only problems, but also potential solutions. This new version will be significantly different from the older versions. We have completely revamped the look, feel, and layout of the application to make it easier for programs to navigate and use the system. Here are a few key points to keep in mind:

- The link to the new registration page will still be [www.citizencorps.fema.gov](http://www.citizencorps.fema.gov). That link will remain available on both the Citizen Corps webpage ([www.ready.gov/citizen-corps](http://www.ready.gov/citizen-corps)) and the CERT webpage ([www.fema.gov/community-emergency-response-teams](http://www.fema.gov/community-emergency-response-teams)). Rather than the old Citizen Corps website, that link will go directly to the log-in screen of the new system starting **August 28**.
- Citizen Corps and CERT programs will **NOT** have to re-register their program or re-enter their program's information. All of the data will remain in the upgraded version.
- Earlier this month, we hosted a webinar for the FEMA Regional Community Preparedness Officers and the State Citizen Corps and CERT Program Managers to demo the new registration system. Visit <https://icpd.adobeconnect.com/p71hlwphmm0/> to see the webinar recording.

This update is only the first step in making the registration application a better tool for Citizen Corps and CERT programs. We will continue to make updates and improvements to the registration system to better serve our programs and support the great work being done in communities.